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## COLONY'S TRADE DECLINES BY \$183.7 MILLIONS DURING 1932

### SIR ROBERT HO TUNG AS AN 'OLD BOY'

Speech At Queen's College Prize-Giving.

#### COMMENTS ON EDUCATION.

A most interesting speech was made by Sir Robert Ho Tung at the Queen's College prize-giving ceremony today.

Sir Robert said:— "It is a great pleasure to me to attend to-day because of my lifelong association with this College, for it is the Alma Mater, not only of myself, but of my brothers, the late Mr. Ho Fook, and Mr. Ho Kom-tong. My children have also gone through these portals, and it is the school at which many of my grandchildren are being educated.



Sir Robert Ho Tung.

"I should like to congratulate the Headmaster and Queen's College on the excellent progress and results which have made such a report possible. I heartily congratulate the successful boys on winning prizes.

Education Changes. "There is no doubt that the theories of education have undergone changes within the last half century or so. What is now regarded as more commonplace was, half a century ago, hardly realised at all.

"Take, for instance, the question of physical education. It is now universally accepted that education should imply not only the training of the mind, but also that of the body, and that it should concern itself with the modification of that organic whole which is represented by (Continued on Page 4.)

### CONSERVATIVES HOLD SEAT

Increased Labour Vote In Liverpool.

London, To-day.

The bye-election in the Exchange Division, Liverpool, owing to the death of Sir James Reynolds, the National Conservative member, resulted in a victory for Colonel J. J. Shute, (National Conservative).

The final poll figures were:— Col. J. J. Shute (National Conservative) 15,198

Mr. Silverman (Labour) 12,412

The National Conservative majority at the last polling was 13,144. — Reuter.

Keen Territorial.

Colonel John Joseph Shute, C.M.G., D.S.O., is a prominent Liverpool philanthropist and for many years has been actively connected with the Territorial Forces. He is the late commander of the 5th Liverpool Regiment.

During the Great War he served with distinction and was five times mentioned in despatches.

Still active in business, he is Chairman of the Combined Egyptian Mills, Ltd., and a Trustee and Executive of the Empire Cotton Growing Corporation and the Council of British Cotton Growing Association. He is also Chairman of the Liverpool Sugar Exchange.

### DEATH OF LONDON'S 'NIGHT CLUB QUEEN.'

Influenza Ends Chequered Career Of Mrs. Kate Meyrick.

London, To-day. Mrs. Kate Meyrick, the "Night Club Queen" of London has died after an attack of influenza. For many years a central figure in the night life of London, Mrs. Meyrick has been the proprietor of several night clubs in the city, some of which were closed by the police, owing to the sale of liquor during prohibited hours. She has frequently been gaoled.

### WALSALL RETAIN FINE HOME RECORD

Chester Losing When Game Abandoned.

#### HULL BEAT BARROW.

London, To-day. Walsall, who defeated the Arsenal in the F. A. Cup, and who have an unbeaten home record, retained their distinction yesterday when they beat Mansfield Town by the large margin of seven goals.

The following were the results of yesterday's League games:

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
Newport	2 Aldershot 1
THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)	
Doncaster	1 Chester 0
abandoned after 40 minutes owing to fog.	
Hull	3 Barrow 0
Walsall	8 Mansfield 1

— Reuter.

### LADY BAILEY FOUND SAFE NEAR TAHOUA

Forced Landing Due To Petrol Shortage.

FRENCH PLANE LOCATES MISSING PILOT.

Paris, To-day.

Lady Bailey, the aviatix, has been found safe and well 20 kilometers south-west of Tahoua, Niger. She had to make a forced landing owing to shortage of petrol.

A French plane which was searching for the flyer, located her, reports the French Air Ministry.

Lady Bailey, who was attempting to establish a new record for the England-Cape flight, has been missing since Sunday night, when she left Oran, Algeria. Grave fears have been entertained for her safety, since when she left Oran she was suffering from a slight attack of influenza and a rising temperature.

The French Air Ministry have been searching for some days with military aeroplanes. — Reuter.

### CAPT. HOPE NOW MISSING

Pilot Who Searched For Hinkler.

Lausanne, To-day.

Anxiety is increasing for Captain Hope and his observer. They only carried petrol sufficient for five hours flight, and failed to return after setting out yesterday morning in response to news that Squadron Leader Hinkler might be found in the Wetterhorn District, where the worst possible weather conditions are reported. — Reuter.



The twenty-one-year-old sister of the ex-Emperor of China and her husband have arrived in England for a private visit. The couple will be known as Mr. and Mrs. Cheng. She is the first Chinese Princess to visit England. "Mr. and Mrs. Cheng" with their host, Sir Reginald Johnston, leaving the Japanese liner "Terukuni Maru" at Tilbury on December 14. — (S. & G.)

### 40-Hour Week And Wages

I.L.O. Conference At Geneva.

London, To-day.

The International Labour Office Conference on the 40-hour week yesterday rejected by 31 votes to 21, there being 17 abstentions, the motion by Mr. Ernest Bevin, of the British Transport and General Workers Union, which asked that the introduction of the 40 hour week should not involve reduction in weekly wages.

A resolution supported by Government delegates, asking for continued examination of the different aspects and methods of working on the 40-hour week, was carried by 41 votes to 21, with 7 abstentions. — British Wireless Service.

The local dollar which was quoted at 1 1/4 yesterday made a slight advance today being quoted at 1 5/8.

Spot and forward silver prices gained a fraction of 1/16 on yesterday's quotations, being shown at 18 15/16 and 17 respectively this morning.

The London on New York cross rate which fell slightly yesterday, gained 1/2 this morning on yesterday's quotation of \$-G\$3.34 1/2, while the New York on London cross rate declined to \$-G\$3.34 12/16.

The "Tahua," which carried 400 passengers, is a ship of 700 tons. She has now safely arrived at Halmien. — Reuter.

A small fire broke out in the carpenter's shop at Nazareth House, at the French Mission Building, Pokfulam, early this morning. The premises were gutted. The cause of the outbreak and the extent of the damage are at present unknown.

The first Cabinet meeting of New Year was held at 10, Downing Street yesterday afternoon. With the exception of Lord Londonderry, the Air Minister, who is on an air tour in the Middle East and Sir Samuel Hoare, the Secretary of State for India, who is abroad, all the Ministers were present.

Sir John Simon, who returned specially from Geneva, flew from Paris to Heston Aerodrome, despite a thick fog which made it impossible for any craft to land at Croydon Airport yesterday afternoon, and caused the cancellation of

practically all the out-going planes. It is understood the Cabinet was mainly engaged on foreign affairs. A series of meetings, including three next week, will be held prior to the re-assembly of Parliament next month. — British Wireless Service.

Report on Far East. The Cabinet met yesterday for the first time in nearly a month. It is understood that Sir John Simon, who returned from Geneva just in time to attend, reported the latest phase of the Sino-Japanese dispute, which the Ministers discussed. — Reuter.

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This has apparently been done with the acquiescence of the Mongol Princes in that area. — Reuter.

Tokyo's Confidence. It is learned from authoritative sources that the Government cabled the Japanese delegation at Geneva yesterday telling them to continue to follow their previous instructions.

The Japanese Foreign Office appears to be confident that the League will accept the Japanese modification to the resolution of December 20, 1932. — Reuter.

Mr. Hugh Rutledge, leader, and four other members of the British expedition which is to attempt to reach the summit of Mount Everest, will leave England for India today.

All 14 members will meet at Darjeeling early in March and in the middle of that month the whole expedition, including about 30 porters and a transport column of baggage laden yaks, donkeys and mules, will set out on the five weeks' trek across Tibet to the base camp situated about 12 miles from Mount Everest, at altitude of nearly 1,000 feet higher than the summit of Mount Blanc.

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H.M.S. Cornwall of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, which left Hong Kong on Tuesday, on fleet exercises, returned to port yesterday.

### WORLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

REMOVAL OF EXCHANGE, TRADE RESTRICTIONS

NO MEETING LIKELY BEFORE MAY

GENEVA, TO-DAY.

THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF NORMAL INTER-EXCHANGE OF COMMODITIES, A GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR PROGRESSIVE RELAXATION AND EARLIEST ABROGATION OF THE EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS ON TRADE AND AN AGREEMENT FOR THE MODIFICATION AND STABILISATION OF TARIFF POLICIES IN FUTURE IS URGED IN THE REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS FOR THE WORLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

The Report emphasises the necessity of an early settlement of the debts question and urges the restoration of an effective international standard to which countries which have abandoned the gold standard can adhere. Each Government, however, must be free to decide when and how they could apply such a standard.

The fall in commodity prices might be counteracted by a general policy for easy money to promote the healthy extension of business and the regulation of exports or production, especially of wheat.

The abolition of the measures of exchange control is an essential condition to world recovery, but the abolition is possible only if there is a lasting balance in the Budgetary system of all Governments concerned.

The Report emphasises that no commitment of any kind is entered into by British delegates with regard to returning to the gold standard.

The Conference is not likely to meet before May at the earliest.

Although silver figures on the agenda of the committee no great significance is attached to its role in the monetary problems of the world.

It is felt that silver will benefit with other low-priced commodities from any actions which will raise commodity prices in relation to gold. — Reuter.

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### JAPANESE NOW CONTROLLING BARGA AREA

Tokyo's Message To Geneva Delegates.

TO MAINTAIN POLICY.

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### 14% DROP REPORTED

BRITISH IMPORTS IMPROVE

Heavy Fall In Japanese Share Of Trade.

H. K. EXPORTS DECLINE BY 12.9 PER CENT.

A preliminary report issued by the Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department states that, in terms of Hong Kong currency, the trade of the Colony suffered a decline during the year 1932, as compared with 1931, to the extent of \$183.7 millions, or 14.4 per cent.

The declared value of imports in 1932 amounted to \$624.0 millions (\$41.0 millions), as compared with \$737.7 millions (\$38.5 millions) in 1931, while exports totalled \$471.9 millions (\$31.0 millions), as against \$541.9 millions (\$28.9 millions).

Imports declined by 15.4 per cent. and exports by 12.9 per cent.

In view of the constant fluctuations in exchange rates and commodity prices, it is exceedingly difficult to assess the actual volume of trade during the year 1932, but an estimate which, of necessity, cannot be strictly accurate, places the total decrease in volume at 10 per cent.

In regard to imports, Great Britain, China, French Indo-China, Siam, India and Australia, increased their share of the trade at the expense of Japan, Netherlands East Indies, U.S.A., Germany and the Straits Settlements; the British share of the imports amounting to 12.3 per cent., as compared with 10.6 per cent. in 1931, and 9.4 per cent. in 1930, while the Australian share increased from 0.7 per cent. in 1930 to 0.9 per cent. in 1931, and 1.9 per cent. in 1932.

The Japanese share of the trade steadily increased quarter by quarter during 1932, but recorded only 3.4 per cent. of the total as compared with 9.3 per cent. in 1931, and 12.3 per cent. in 1930.

Treasure movements showed a considerable increase, mainly on account of heavy transfers of silver subsidiary coin from Canton to Shanghai. Imports from Canton in 1932 amounted to \$24.7 millions in the same period.

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### EXPEDITION TO MT. EVEREST

Hugh Rutledge Party Leave For India.

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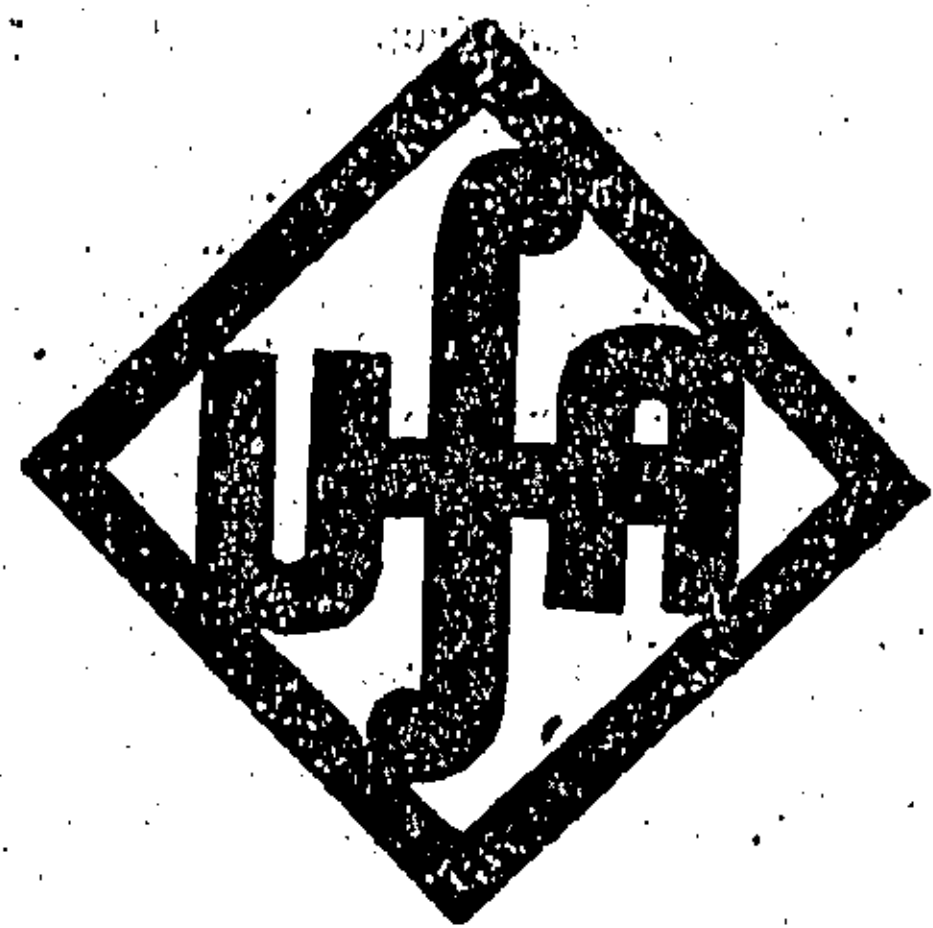
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We have all come to look upon Lewis Stone as one of the finest picture-stealers in the film world. The actor, who refuses stardom, the actor who never lets a film down. In "Strictly Dishonourable" we have him at his best. The story has been altered to suit Mr. Will Hays' ideas of morality, but the fine cast, which includes Sydney Fox and Paul Lukas make a perfect trio.

Lewis Stone was born in Worcester Mass. in 1879. He has been married at least three times, and has two daughters. He went on the stage for a lark, but has done nothing else since that first appearance in a Canadian stock company, but act. Among all the faces on the screen at the opening night of "Grand Hotel" in London, the scar-faced Dr. (Lewis Stone), alone, received tumultuous applause. Whenever he appears on the screen, we all know we are in for a finished, polished performance, however small the part may be. In this play we have lots of sentiment, but it is a charming film. (Central).

"Skyscraper Souls."

"Skyscraper Souls" is magnificently produced by M.G.M. We have financial wizardry and romantic intrigues, but what counts most with me, is that Warren William, the new sensation, makes his first appearance here. You can't help remarking on his likeness to John Barrymore, but as the critics say, he can out-act Barrymore.

Another newcomer is a Broadway actress, Verree Teasdale. HOW and WHY Miss Maureen O'Sullivan is still in films puzzles me, but you are obliged to see her plain little face as the heroine. Norman Foster is one of the few actors I cannot like. Anita Page is always the same. Every scene was taken within the confines of a modern skyscraper. Banks, brokers and of course the inevitable gorgeous pent-house apartment. William dominates the picture. (Queen's).

"Sob Sister."

James Dunn and Linda Watkins in "Sob Sister." As I always enjoy a newspaper story I found it fairly enjoyable. Oh no-not another "Bad Girl." No big moments, but just love-making, tiffs, misunderstandings and a kidnapping thrown in. Minna Gombell plays the same sort of part, expected of her, and Dunn is easily one of the most popular juvenile leads on the screen. (King's).

"A Honeymoon Adventure."

Mrs. Frazer Simson, the wife of the well-known composer wrote "Footsteps in the Dark" and it comes to the screen with two of the best artists in British films Benita Hume and Harold Huth, entitled "A Honeymoon Adventure." Most of the scene were filmed round the Scottish home of the writer, and her pet spaniel plays an important part. Harold Huth, nephew of the famous actress Eva Moore, was a motor salesman before he took to acting and was chosen this year as a winner in a big competition for giving the best performance in "The Outsider." He likes co-starting with Joan Barry, and in Maughan's "Sally Bishop" we see them at their best.

Peter Hannen is a newcomer, but hitherto found fame broadcasting for B.B.C. He came down from Trinity College, Cambridge, to study law, but preferred to act for an audience rather than a Judge and Jury. Benita Hume needs no introduction, but she is best remembered in "Services for Ladies." She is said to be the favourite leading lady for Ivor Novello. Maurice Elvey directed, and again it demonstrates the enormous strides British films are taking. (Queen's).

"Bird of Paradise."

Lavish settings, gorgeous photography, splendid musical score, and good acting by Dolores del Rio and Joel McCrea make "Bird of Paradise" a picture to be remembered. I am not surprised to hear it is playing to "crowded" houses

everywhere, this City being no exception. The love scenes are daring, Dolores is ideally cast, and her use of the native language is a surprise. The swimming scenes are along worth seeing. I can rate this film as outstanding. (Central).

Features For Star.

A grand list coming to the Star Marie Dressler in "Emma," wherein Jean Hersholt and Richard Cromwell are good, too. By special request "Sunshine Susie" will be shown for one day, Wednesday, then Lawrence Tibbett and Lupe Velez in "Cuban Love Song." "Tarzan" is at the World, but Maureen O'Sullivan put me off liking that absurd film. (World).

"Girl Crazy."

"Girl Crazy" is booked for showing at the Chinese New Year. If you are an admirer of Wheeler and Woolsey you will like this. There are plenty of old gags, and some really funny new ones. Mitz Green, in her imitations of Marlene Dietrich, Edna May Oliver and George Arliss is worth your money. Besides, there is a big cast of favourites including Arline Judge, Eddie Quillan, Dorothy Lee and Ivan Lebedeff. Kitty Kelly is a noisy new personality who puts over George Gershwin's music very well. Advised. (Central).

"Young America."

Are you interested in juvenile delinquency? — If you are, see "Young America," wherein two small-town boys who are labelled as the "worst kids in town" redeem themselves. Ralph Bellamy as the kindhearted judge, gives the most likeable performance. Spencer Tracy is miscast as the druggist, and I can't imagine Doris Kenyon as his wife. This actress, who is lovely, is so theatrical always. She appears to have an inexhaustible supply of costly frilly gowns, and I can feel that in her sweetness she will want to train the boy for a movie career. Tommy Condon and Raymond Borzage (nephew of the director) are not sufficiently strong for the leading roles, but they are satisfactory. Beryl Mercer gives us our heart-throb as usual. You may like it. (King's).

"Devil and the Deep."

I saw "Devil and the Deep" months ago, and I am still hoping the King's will let others be so fortunate. Charles Laughton gives a performance that I cannot forget, and it is Tallulah Bankhead's best film to date.

I wonder if we shall see "Cynara." Ronald Colman wrote to me the other day, and said he hoped we would have it here. Critics are enraptured over this—Colman's best. They speak in the most glowing terms of Kay Francis and the new English girl, Phyllis Barry. My friend Norbert Lusk says "Perfect play, perfect cast, and perfect acting."

Then, too, another gem will be William Powell and Kay Francis in "One-way Passage," and when we have "Bill of Divorcement" we will see the new girl sensation, Katherine Hepburn. While on the subject of new plays, we are mighty lucky to have Lubitsch very latest, "Trouble in Paradise," and what a trio. Kay Francis, Miriam Hopkins and Herbert Marshall. Lusk considers it the finest thing Lubitsch has done.

"Strange Interlude."

This month and early February we have the greatest actress in her greatest part—(No, I do not mean Greta Garbo) Norma Shearer in "Strange Interlude." The woman who can go from a "Free Soul" to Eugene O'Neill, then charm the world in most elusive sentimental drama "Smilin' Through" deserves the title of the greatest actress.

Yes—you Garbo lovers. (I am not one of them) the Prize winner "Grand Hotel" will be here early in February. But before that we have star Laurel and Oliver Hardy in "Pack Up Your Troubles" with the new baby charmer, taking most of the picture. I refer to Jacqueline Lyn. "Kismet" with Otis Skinner in

his original part. (Who of us old-timers will ever forget "Chippy" Hay under the expert guidance and direction of Sinclair at the old City Hall?) Lil Dagover, the beauty from Germany in "The Woman from Monte Carlo," then the Shearer and Garbo films.

I am looking forward to a glimpse of Anne Dvorak, wife of the Irishman Leslie Fenton. Watch her in "Sky Devils"—and then "Horse-headers" comes along you will see the Marx Brothers at their funniest. 1933 promises to be a lucky one as far as films are concerned, and soon we are promised England's Idol—Gracie Fields in "Looking on the Bright Side." Her great talent and the catchy music will assure the film much success.

What Does H.K. Want?

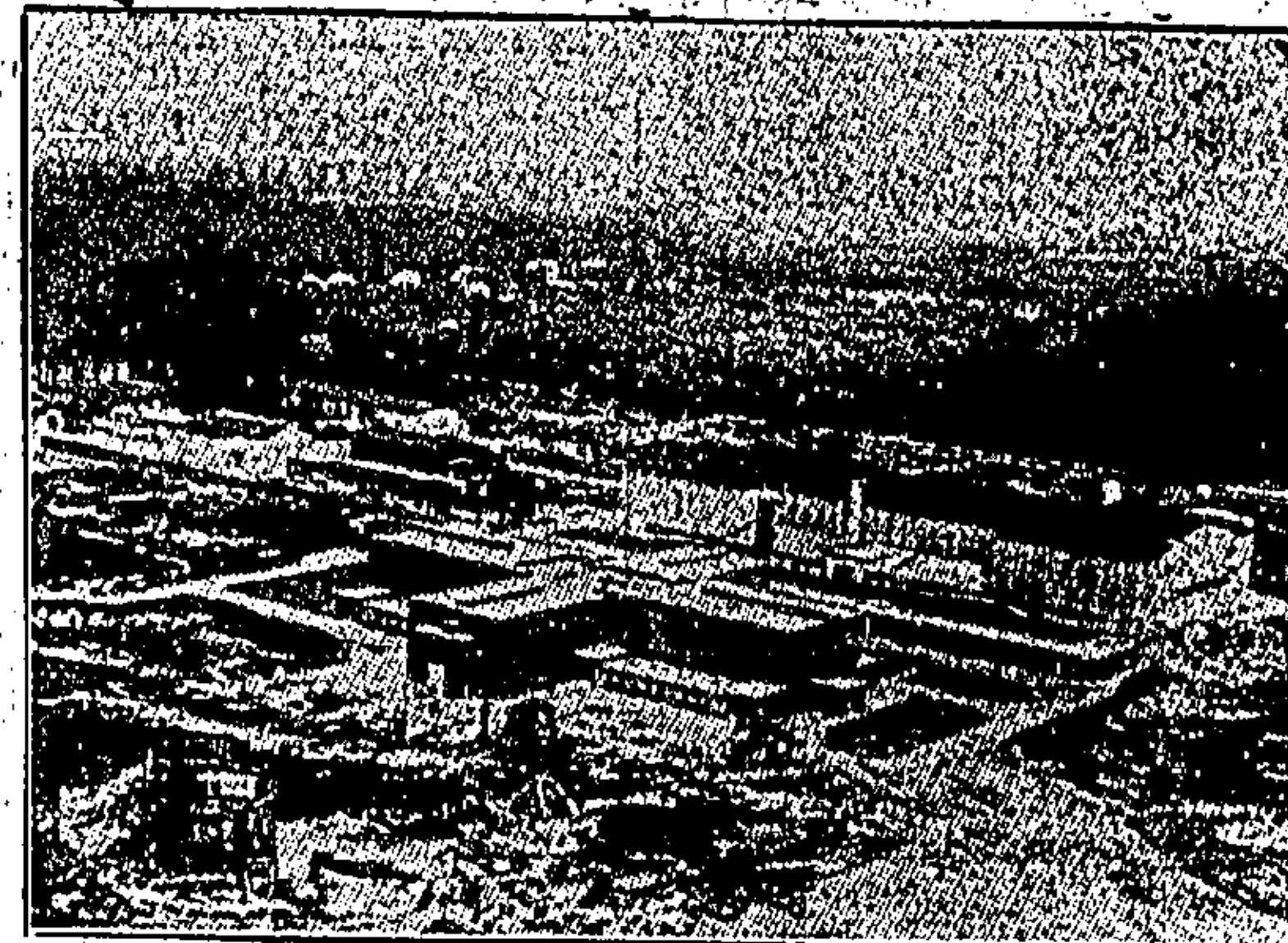
I confess to disgust in the patronage accorded a picture and artists who are outstanding. Was "The Guardsman" too clever, too subtle? In London they paid 17/6 to see Alfred Lunt and his wife Lynn Fontaine in "Caprice." They are brought to our shores in one of their greatest plays, and they are not appreciated. We shall not see anything so grand again till the Lunts decide to honour the world. That is how I look at such artistry. Confining themselves to the Theatre Guild robe them of world fame—and incidentally robs us of two great artists. In "The Phantom President" too we had riotous laughter and burlesque. Was it, too, appreciated?—No. George M. Cohan, one of the most famous names in American theatrical history, meant nothing to Hong Kong. Jimmy Durante was at his funniest, and Claudette Colbert entrancing. What does this City want?

I'M TELLING YOU.

At last British Equity is taking the step to stop artists from appearing on the screen and stage at the same time. In Jessie Maltows' contract she is not allowed to appear on the stage while working at the studio. I can't imagine the film folk doing this in Hollywood. Truly a case of burning the candle at both ends. Working all day at the studio, and half the night at the theatre is hardly fair to the management. Is there a dearth of actors and actresses? Owen Nares, Du Maurier, Benita Hume, Harold Huth, Ralph Lynn and Tom Walls, Jack Hulbert, Cecily Courtneidge, Gertrude Lawrence, Jack Buchanan are only a few who do two things at once.

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In view of the expected European Super productions coming to Colony, films produced by the world-famous Ufa organisation of Germany, the following article, descriptive of the studios is of interest:

To make a tour of the "City of Ufa" is an unforgettable experience. The "City," properly speaking, is the town of Neubabelsberg, a suburb of Berlin, but part of it, an older quarter, is situated at Tempelhof, somewhat nearer the Capital. The total area occupied is 530,000 square metres and the length of the streets and squares it contains exceeds that of the longest thoroughfare of Berlin—Friedrichstrasse. And every month the city grows bigger and bigger.

In New York, the Palace, has succumbed to pictures. No more vaudeville—what a pity!

Jack Buchanan and Lydia Roberti have started rehearsals in "Fardon my English" for a Broadway production. The Polish girl from the Carlton Cabaret, Shanghai, is now well established, and has found fame and fortune in the United States. Mary Pickford, against the advice of her friends, is still intent on making "Secrets." Leslie Howard plays opposite.

At present it contains 14 huge studios, so arranged that the production of a number of full feature films may be undertaken simultaneously, and 44 other large structures used for the purely technical rooms alone number 250 and the various stages can accommodate 2,500 people at one time.

With such facilities it is not surprising to learn that Ufa is producing over 70 per cent. of the films being made in Germany.

The Ufa organisation was one of the first to realise the tremendous possibilities of the cinema in educational work, and at Neubabelsberg are two special stages and biological sections, with laboratories, for microscopic and other scientific film work.

Amongst the equipment in this department is an automatic time-condenser camera which is used in the production of educational films showing the process of plant growth and a zoo stocked with numerous domestic and wild animals.

Property Shops.

To get an adequate idea of the "property" shops, one must try to imagine a combination of a museum and a departmental store. Here appears to be everything from the proverbial pin to a life-size model of an elephant that waggles its ears and moves with an ambling gait. There are, for instance, 10,000 pieces of furniture, 8,000 costumes, 2,000 wigs, 1,000 hats and 5,000 "oddments." But at the back of this seeming jumble is perfect order.



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The Kyrie	1,725
Peak Hotel	1,805
Talkoo Sanatorium	2,100
Mt. Davis	2,777
Bowen Road (alterbeds)	2,877
Mainland	
Talmoshan	3,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 14th February, 1933, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1932.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 13th January, to TUESDAY, 14th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 20th January, 1933.

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Saturday, January 28th—  
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6. That Means Nothing to Me.  
7. I Kiss Your Hand, Madame.  
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Madame Butterfly—  
Give me Your Darling Hands (Puccini).  
Tales of Hoffman—Baccarole (Offenbach).  
Isobel Baillie & Nellie Walker 9554.  
Orchestral—  
Mignon—Selection (Thomas).  
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Vocal Duet—  
Il Trovatore—Miserere (Verdi).  
Gertrude Johnson & William Heseltine.

Orchestral—  
Il Trovatore—Homo to Our Mountains (Verdi).  
Mary Ogden & William Heseltine 9168.  
Orchestral—  
The Barber of Seville—Overture (Rossini).  
Felix Pitt conducting the B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra 9166.  
9.10-10 p.m.—Variety.  
Organ Solo—  
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Victoria and Her Hussar—Monsie Rudy Starita DB619.  
Vocal Duet—  
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Many children and adults attended the matinee performance yesterday at the King's Theatre of "The Fountain of Youth," a comic opera presented by the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society. The players, on the whole, showed much confidence, and the performance was thoroughly enjoyed.  
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Song—  
One Little Raindrop Florence Oldham DB640.

Band—  
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10.10-10.23 p.m.—  
Aldershot Searchlight Tattoo played by the Massed Bands conducted by Capt. George Miller. 9109/9110.

10.23 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.30 p.m. (approx.)—Close Down.  
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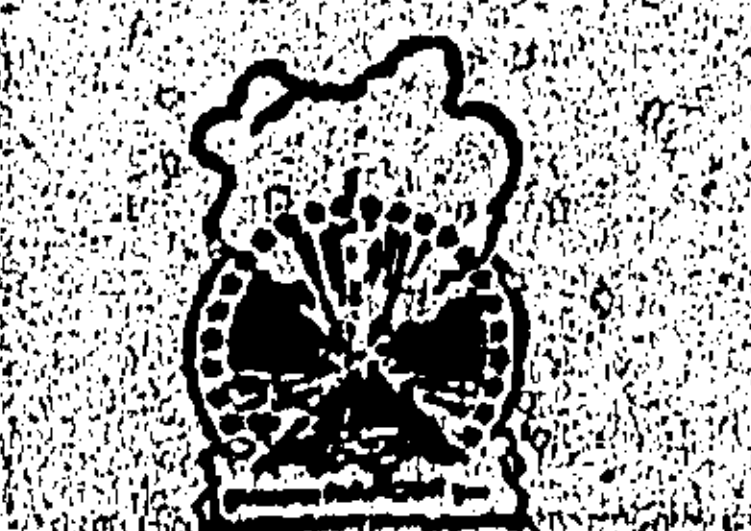


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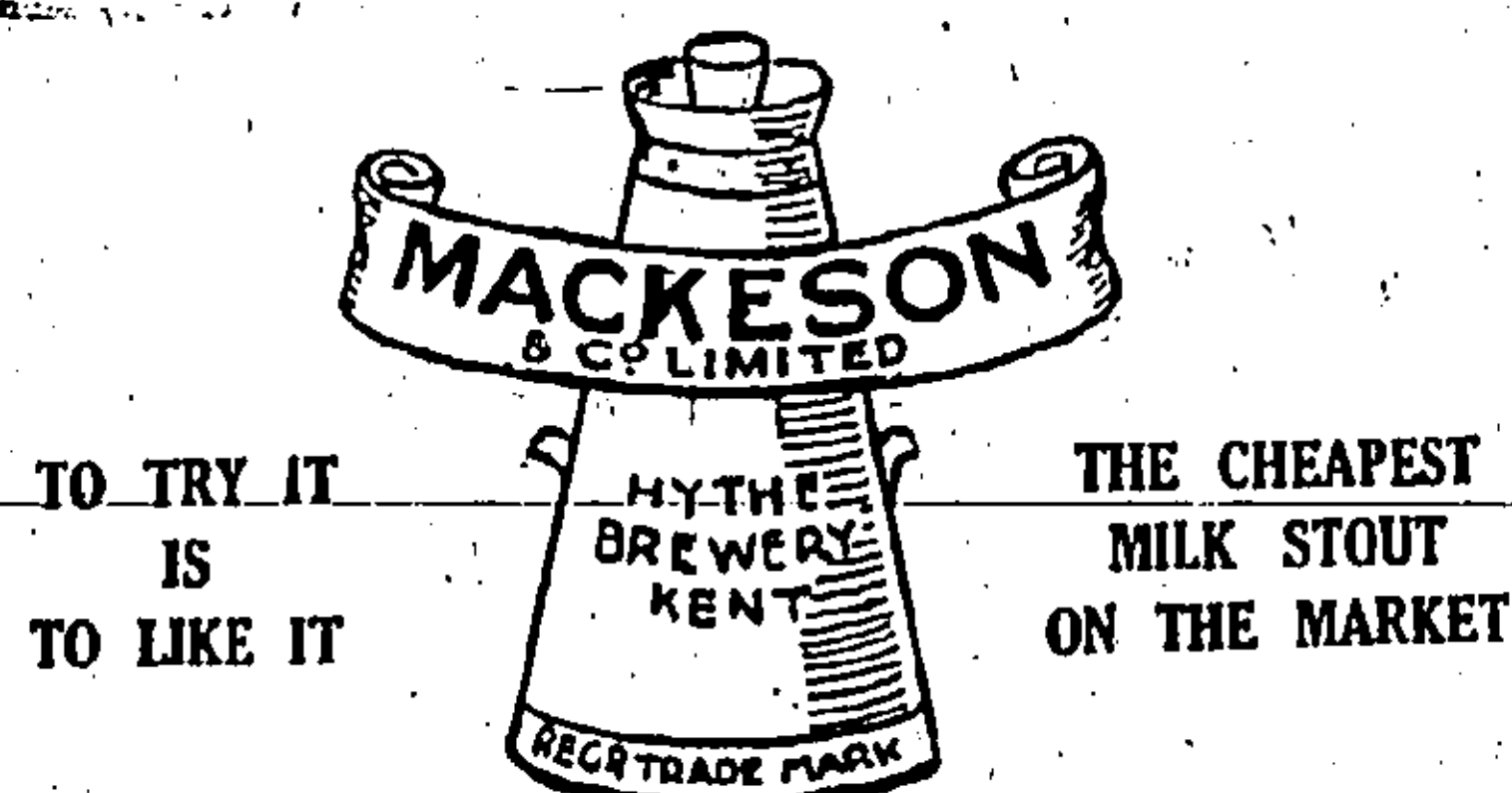
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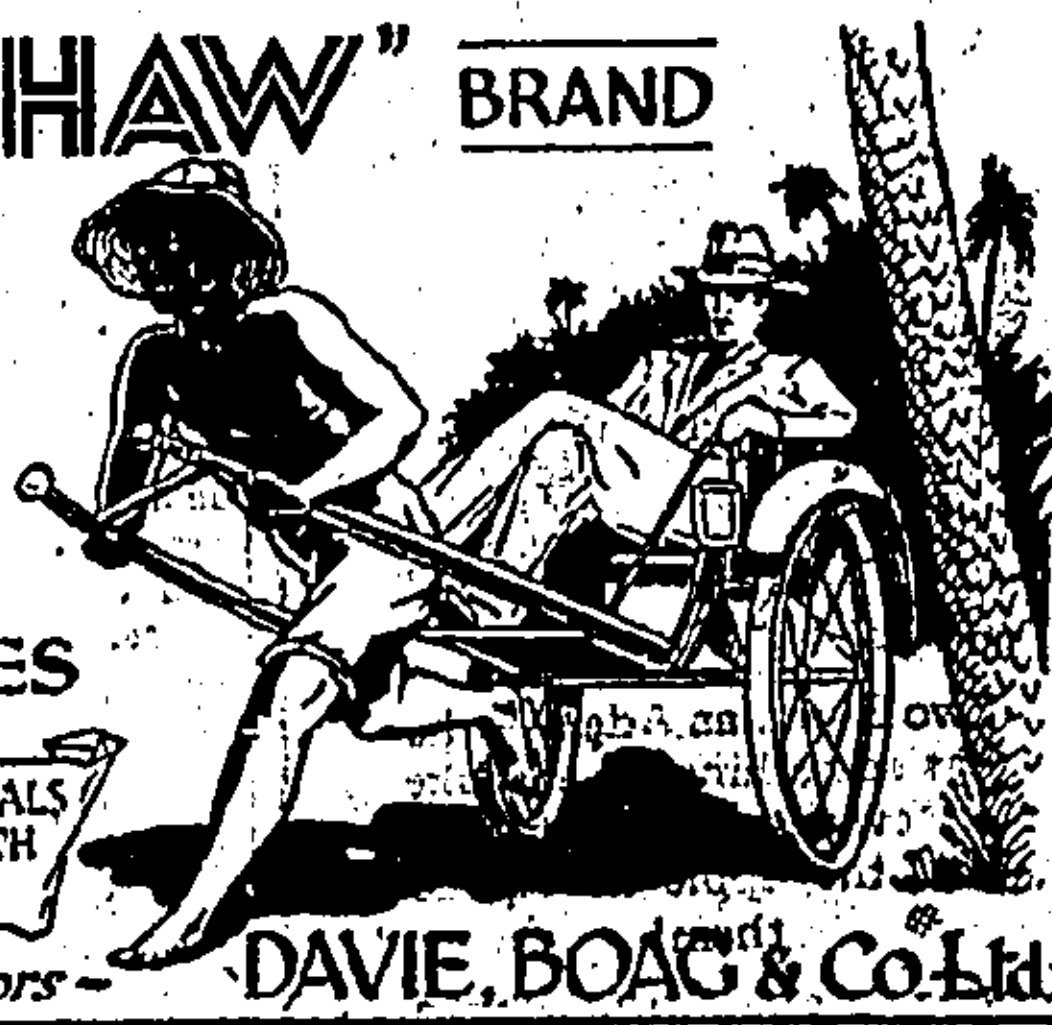
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## The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Friday, Jan. 20, 1933.

### American Banking System.

The tremendous losses caused by constant bank failures in the United States lessen the confidence of the public in the American banking system but no definite reform in that system has yet been manifested. The economic slump saw hundreds of banks fail and tens of thousands throughout the United States lost their life savings. To the average Britisher, accustomed to the security of English banks, the position in America is almost incredible, and the contrast afforded by the secure and safe Canadian banking corporations, operating under the British system, adds to the amazement felt by outside observers. Recently, however, American financial leaders have been urging reform of the banking system and Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, a partner in the J. P. Morgan Company, made an urgent plea that banks throughout the country hitherto separated from the sustaining influence of the Federal Reserve should join the system. Mr. Lamont pointed out to the Academy of Political Science that failures of non-member banks during these recent years have been four and a half times more numerous than failures of member banks. These non-member failures, he showed, were mostly of "small banks with extremely limited capital"; yet official figures, not cited by Mr. Lamont, also show that the mere numerical preponderance of such non-member bank failures made it possible that out of the total \$1,691,510,000 deposits tied up by all banks failures in 1931, \$957,982,000 were those of non-member banks. To draw such banks into the Federal Reserve needs pressure by the public doing business with them, and recent experience ought to insure that. But the evil remains that a multitude of banks, because of imperfect State banking laws, were organized under State charters with insufficient capital, inexperienced management and ill-guarded restrictions, varying widely in the different States. The result has been that thousands of these banks have been subjected to constant danger of insolvency "under the most ordinary conditions of difficult times," and that "ninety per cent. of the banks which failed in the decade 1921-30 were located in rural communities." In protection of the depositors, Mr. Lamont strongly urged extension of the branch-banking system. Only by this, he held, can such communities have the benefit of service from institutions associated

with and supported by strong and powerful city banks, conservatively managed and with highly diversified resources and liabilities. The debate over extension of branch banking has for years been a signal for diverging judgment in America. The recent convention of the American Bankers' Association virtually waived consideration of the question, because of the disagreement in its own membership. Yet it is impossible that the harsh experience through which hundreds of thousands of small-town depositors have passed since 1929 can fail to add strength to the demand for exactly such facilities. These depositors must by this time be aware of how the immense and country-wide loss both of individual savings and of ordinary banking service in the United States contrasts with the fact that nothing whatever of the kind has occurred in either Canada or England, countries in which the practice of branch banking is firmly established and habitually pursued as the basis of the banking system.

### Broadcasting Progress.

The British Empire broadcast of the King's speech at Christmas served as an illustration of wonderful progress of broadcasting. The celebration was recently observed of the tenth anniversary of British broadcasting and a survey was made of the splendid achievements since the first trial transmissions at the end of 1922. The astonishing expansion and development since those early days are reflected in the steady growth of the number of licensed listeners, who now total more than five millions, and in the evolution of an industry which, in catering for the listener's technical requirements, provides employment for over 100,000 people. First as a Company, with definite industrial interests, and later as a Corporation, with a Royal Charter and direct responsibility to the Government, the monopoly of British broadcasting has been developed. Public opinion is no doubt divided as to the particular phase of its activities in which the B.B.C. (to use initials which apply both to Company and Corporation) has been most successful. It has sought to give accurate, brief, and impartial news of what is going on in the world outside. It has attempted to provide relaxation and relief from the strain of modern life. Its efforts at the instruction of both school children and adults have by common consent been singularly successful. Most of all, perhaps, the B.B.C. has justified the high responsibilities with which it has been entrusted in its courageous decision to broadcast religion. The early fears of both public

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"Flapping."  
The other new enterprise will find itself faced with considerable difficulties.  
There can be no hope of any working agreement with the Jockey Club.

It may not be an easy matter to get together the number of thoroughbred horses which will be required for a six-day programme. The horses will not be able to return to racing either under Jockey Club or National Hunt Rules, and a similar embargo will be placed on the trainers and riders. This means "flapping," a form of racing which has never attracted big crowds.

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But when she was bad she became popular.

### Door-Step Dialogue.

(Time: 11.30 p.m.)  
"Let me have your gramophone till to-morrow, old man."  
"Oh, you want to dance?"  
"No, to sleep."

### Answer to Correspondent.

When finger-bowls are served, Cuthbert, it is usually considered bad manners to ask for soap.

"Jardine has 20 Cricket Caps."  
Clothes of play score.

### Facts You Did Not Know.

Hydroelectric development in Spain in recent years has made such progress that the industry leads all others in amount of capital invested.

A Los Angeles inventor has patented detachable finger nail covers for women, made in various colours to match wearers' costumes or lipstick.

A noted German airplane building company has turned its attention to designing automobiles streamlined to reduce wind resistance and fuel consumption.

and clergy in this connection have proved groundless. Thanks largely to the efforts of an advisory committee which has worked under the chairmanship of the Bishop of Southwark it has been found possible to broadcast services of a non-sectarian type, containing the simplest essentials of Christian doctrine and such as have been found acceptable to Church authorities and general public alike. The task of the B.B.C. during the last ten years cannot have been an easy one. The fact that the exercise of its monopoly has been so free from errors in judgment and from technical failure may lead us perhaps to take it too much for granted. That in itself is a striking tribute to the enterprise, the imagination, the discretion and the vigilance of those who have developed it. The charge that they have sometimes been high-handed is surely based on mistaken notions concerning the real duties of a public-service. Even if it had set out with the aim of pleasing everybody the B.B.C. must soon have found such an ideal illusory. The truth is that both the old company and the present corporation have never departed very far from a working rule which may perhaps be rendered, "Give the public something slightly better than it now thinks it likes." That this great force for good or evil has been developed and administered so sagaciously, and with such a deep sense of responsibility, has not been the least satisfactory feature of British national post-war life. Britain is deeply indebted to the old Board of Directors and the present Board of Governors, and particularly to Sir John Reith, who as managing-director and director-general has been associated with the organization since its earliest days.

## D'ARCY--A PORTRAIT IN OIL

### ROMANCE OF ANGLO-PERSIAN COMPANY

### CHANCE MEETING BRINGS FORTUNE

But for a chance consultation in a lawyer's office in a sun-baked Australian town, the most extensive oil-field in the world would never have come under British control and the colossal enterprise known as the Anglo-Persian Oil Company might never have existed.

William Knox D'Arcy, a bluff and hearty solicitor, concerned only with the little processes of the law in his small town, was drawn into the fabric of international finance by the curious weaving of fortune. His figure looms large to-day when his original concessions are being challenged by Persia.

D'Arcy's story beats fiction. He was born in Newton Abbot, Devonshire, in 1849, and in 1866, when young D'Arcy was 17 and through Westminster, his lawyer father took the family to Australia. D'Arcy Senior set himself up as a solicitor in Rockhampton, Queensland, and his son eventually took over the practice.

He may have dreamed dreams as he sat in his stuffy office, but it is certain that his imagination fell well short of what was in store for him.

One day in the late 'eighties a sheepgrazier client, one Sandy Morgan, dropped in to see him. Morgan owned a big ranch in the hills. He thumped down a lump of rock on D'Arcy's desk and said, "What's this stuff? There's a whole mountain of it back of my place."

D'Arcy had a good look at the rock. He guessed that it was gold quartz. He sent it to Sydney to have it assayed. When the report arrived he knew that fortune was within his grasp.

That was the beginning of the famous Mount Morgan mine, one of the world's wonders in gold production. In exchange for his savings and his work as organiser, D'Arcy took a third of the capital stock of £1,000,000. The mine prospered. For the next ten years D'Arcy sat back in his office chair, attended to the wants of his sheepowner clients, and watched his capital growing.

That might have been the end of the story—Solicitor Makes Fortune in Mining Venture—but it was not. William Knox D'Arcy decided to wander round and see a bit of the world with his wife. He had made £100,000, and he left instructions that a parcel of his shares (then worth £8 each) should be sold.

The D'Arcy family went first to Egypt, then to Italy, then to Vienna. They took their time. In Vienna, D'Arcy happened to see an old copy of the "Times." It contained an announcement that if he got in touch with his bankers in London, he would learn something to his advantage. D'Arcy was in no hurry to answer it, but his wife insisted.

When at last he came to London he found that, during his absence, the shares had risen to £17 and he had £1,200,000 to his credit. His first act—a sidelight on his breezy, generous nature—was to reimburse all his old friends who had sold out at a lower price. He divided £70,000 among them.

Unexploited Country.  
The life of a millionaire palled. D'Arcy felt an itch to get back to work and to put his capital to some use. For some unknown reason he decided to go back to the earth which had given him his fortune and to concentrate on oil.

Again he had a chance meeting. This time with a young Persian named Kitabji, who told him about the oil seepages in the northern part of his own country. Although oil had been known to exist in Persia for many centuries, the country had been unexploited. Practically all the petroleum came from the United States, Russia and the Dutch Indies.

Fired with enthusiasm, D'Arcy sent out a geologist to explore. The two ends of the 300 miles old-belt were found, and in 1901 D'Arcy, sure of his ground, received his all-important concessions from the Shah for the exploitation of natural gas, petroleum and asphalt in the whole of Persia, except for the two northern provinces; for the next sixty years.

Desolate, treeless hills and valleys which since the downfall of the Sassanid Kings had been left to the hyenas, the jackals and the

casual passage of a nomadic tribe, were now penetrated. A camp was set up by the Maidan-i-Naftun, the Field of Oil, where, in ancient dams, trickles of oil had been collected from time immemorial and bartered by the wild tribesmen.

Hard by were the ruins of Masjid-i-Sulaiman, the Temple of Solomon. To the eternal fires of this shrine the oil had been fed in the days of the Zoroastrians, the fireworshippers.

The drills of industry broke the ancient peace. D'Arcy had organised his company to wrest another fortune. Immense difficulties faced him. Supplies had to be carried on the backs of donkeys and camels and there was no adequate port. A pipe line had to be laid over the mountains.

Difficulties Overcome.  
For two years the pioneers slaved. By 1903 the capital was low. D'Arcy had drilled £300,000 of his personal fortune into the rock, and there were only two small wells to show for it all. Difficulties of finance began to face him. The Germans, awake to the importance of the concessions, began to make tempting offers and to exert pressure on him.

He stuck out against foreign ownership. Help came from Lord Strathcona, head of the Burmah Oil Company, who organised another syndicate to work other parts of the concession. Together the pioneers fought against innumerable difficulties. They blasted mule tracks across the mountains and laid the 150 miles of pipe-line to the sea. They built railways, ships, wharves, refineries.

In 1908 the Anglo-Persian Oil Company was formed with Lord Strathcona as chairman and D'Arcy as a director. The Admiralty had then seen the vital importance of oil fuel for the Navy. The greatest oil expert in the world, Professor (now Sir John) Cadman, was sent out to investigate the field.

The result was that on August 10, 1914, six days after England had declared war on Germany, the Royal Assent was given to the proposal to invest capital in Anglo-Persian. To-day, the British Government has a majority holding of 57½ millions in the company's Ordinary shares.

D'Arcy died in 1917. He had seen his dream come true. The oil he had found and fought for was already a big weight in the balance of the fate of nations.

### MRS. J. C. THOM LAID TO REST.

#### Old Resident Of The Colony.

Mrs. Josephine Calista Thom, whose death occurred on Wednesday at her residence at Ice House Street, at the age of 77 had been a resident in the Colony for many years. She was a native of California, and it is understood was predeceased by her husband, an American doctor, to whom she was married at the age of 16 years.

The funeral took place yesterday evening in the Colonial Cemetery Happy Valley.

The last services were performed by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave. Wreaths were sent by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stapleton, Mrs. Capell and family, Mrs. Hunter, Mr. H. L. Denny, Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson and Tang Sai, the amah. In addition, Messrs. Hastings and Co. sent a wreath, as well as Chinese friends whose names were not available.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Mrs. Cheng Yip Shi wishes to express her very sincere and heartfelt thanks to all those members of the public and especially those who have worked so very ardently to get up the petition and made it a success.

Mr. W. Foreyth and family wish to thank all their friends for their deep sympathy and condolences extended to them in their recent and bereavement, and for the floral tributes and attendance at the funeral.



## Queen's College Prize Distribution

### Sir Robert Ho Tung Gives Away Awards

#### HEADMASTER ON SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., who attended Queen's College from 1873 to 1878, distributed the certificates and prizes at the annual prize day in the Great Hall of Queen's College, this morning. Sir Robert is the first Old Boy of the College to present prizes.

Mr. F. J. de Rome, M.B.E., B.A., (Headmaster) presided, and among those present on the dais were the Director of Education (Mr. G. P. de Martin) who made his last appearance in an official capacity, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Sir William Hornell (Vice-Chancellor of the University), Professor L. Forster, Lady Ho Tung, the Rev. G. T. Waldergrave, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Lo and many others.

The Headmaster, in the course of his report, referred to College developments, extension of Class libraries, and English successes. Referring to the decision to substitute the School Certificate Examination for Matriculation, Mr. de Rome said that after long experience in the schools, he did not think that the average boy in Class I is fit to enter the University. He should have a few months or another year specialising before he sits for the Matriculation examination.

Reading the Report, the Headmaster said: "The maximum number of boys on the roll was 607, with an average daily attendance of 546; with the disappearance of the Junior Local Examination and the disorganisation it caused the average number in attendance should improve considerably. At the moment the school is full to overflowing, 620 boys in actual attendance, and large numbers were refused admittance 2 or 3 weeks ago. A great problem that awaits solution locally, and which I have drawn attention to on previous occasions, is the annual migration of boys from school to school. With the increase in recent years of the number of upper-grade private schools — often little better than cramming establishments — this practice appears to be on the increase: they are not the only offenders, however. These boys, usually failures, are frequently given promotion after a perfunctory (if any) test, the idea being I suppose that there is glory in numbers. Schools which do not lend themselves to this sort of thing, which promote conscientiously and give a strict entrance test, are the sufferers. No local boy is admitted to intermediate classes at Queen's without a leaving certificate from his previous headmaster. He is then subjected to a stringent test lasting the whole day; and if he then survives he generally finds himself in a lower class than the one he aspires to."

Developments. I am glad to say an instructor in Physical Training has been appointed, and, with the current year a beginning has been made with this most important side of education — the cult of athletics for the few has been reinforced by bodily training for all — in the lower school. Sports and games (inter-school and inter-class) have been vigorously pursued, as usual during the year: cricket has made much headway this season but it is a great pity that very few Chinese boys take to this most skilful and social of games. I wish to thank many gentlemen in the Colony for contributions of money and cricket gear.

I mentioned in my last report that, apart from the school Library Class, libraries had just been instituted, one for each class, with books graded according to difficulty on Travel, History, Literature, Science, and Poetry. The total number of books in these libraries is now 1,100. The books have been very well used, for home reading and I am glad to say that the Staff realise the

beneficial effect of this general reading on the English and General Knowledge of boys, and by their encouragement have made the libraries a great success.

English Successes. It is significant that this year in the Junior Local Examination, four of our boys gained a distinction in English, 3 of the boys being Chinese. This is unique I imagine for a day school like Queen's. I would rather have 4 distinctions in English than 40 in Algebra or Mechanics. Of the 47 boys who sat for Matriculation only 2 boys failed in English.

A special English Paper was given at the end of the year to the Upper Classes on General English and General Knowledge, and Library Books — I was very pleased with the general standard.

I wish to thank the trustees of the Morrison Scholarships, the annual disbursements for which now amount to \$1,680. In the current year we have 132 scholarship holders, representing an annual sum of \$13,270. I should like to refer to the "Stewart Scholarship," founded in 1884 by the Chinese community in honour of Dr. Stewart, the first Headmaster of Queen's College and later Colonial Secretary and acting Governor of Hong Kong. This scholarship lapsed in 1927 through lack of funds. I feel sure that the position of these scholarships is not generally known to O.C.C.s.

I wish to thank the Public Works Department for the splendid job they made this year of the interior renovation of the school.

We congratulate Mr. L. G. Morgan, a member of the Staff, on passing the M.A. (London) degree: we hope to see his thesis on "The Teaching of Science to the Chinese" in print.

Examinations. The examination results for 1932 were very satisfactory: 17 boys matriculated and 12 gained the Senior Local out of 47. Two boys were awarded Honours in Matriculation — G. U. B. Singh, who has won the Chatter Memorial Scholarship at the University, and Mak Chak-hon, who has been awarded a Government Educational Scholarship tenable at the Hong Kong University for 4 years. Lee Kuei-chee has also been awarded a Government Educational Scholarship. In the Junior Local 49 passed out of 666, gaining 24 distinctions.

Of the 17 boys who matriculated I understand that 10 of them have entered the Hong Kong University. We continue to get very good reports of our old pupils at the University — 6 graduated recently: there are now about 30 Queen's boys up there.

The outstanding event of the year has been the decision to substitute the School Certificate Examination for Matriculation. Like Belshazzar of old, Matriculation has been weighed in the balance and found wanting as the instrument of a good general education, and it had to go. Examinations here dominate curriculum — they shouldn't of course but they do — and so it was necessary to seek for a new orientation. The bias will henceforth be laid on the "English" subjects (Literature, History, Geography, etc.) instead of their being regarded as almost the Cinderellas of the others. I must say a few words on one point before it is too late, and that is the acceptance by the University (from 1935), as exemption from authorities of the School Certificate Matriculation. After long experience in the schools I do not really think that the average boy in Class I is fit to enter the University (and it is the average boy we have to think about and legislate for, not the school). He should have a few months or even another year specialising before he sits for Matriculation.

## AMERICAN SAILOR'S SAD DEATH.

### Fell Out Of Rikisha In Wanchai.

#### FRACTURED SKULL.

S. E. Sadlin, a seaman on board the U.S.S. Ashville, was found lying dead on the first floor landing of a house in Johnston Road, Wanchai district, yesterday.

When the discovery was made, suspicions of foul play were felt and the Police were summoned to the scene. The body was removed to the Public Mortuary, where it was examined by Dr. R. S. Begbie, a Government medical officer. Dr. Begbie stated that in his opinion, Sadlin was not the victim of foul play.

Enquiries made by Wanchai Police revealed that Sadlin, while riding in a rikisha in Johnston Road, accidentally fell out heavily on to the road. He fractured his skull. Seeking aid, Sadlin entered the doorway of 96 Johnston Road, but only managed to reach the first floor level, when he collapsed and died.

There are no suspicious circumstances attached to the case.

Hence I consider the two examinations should be entirely dissociated from each other. Co-operation between the schools and the University in any shape or form is an excellent thing and I rejoice that they will examine the School Certificate for us: at the same time I do not think they should have any voice in the conditions of our examination (syllabuses, groupings, standard of marking, etc.) — it should be entirely a departmental affair, just as Matriculation should be their affair.

Both the Old Boys' Association and the "Yellow Dragon" have had a successful year — I wish to thank the large number of Old Boys for their generous contributions to the Sports, the Prize Fund and in other ways, but it is really their abiding interest in the College which we value most highly. I also wish to thank Mr. Holmes for his able editorship of our magazine, the "Yellow Dragon," which takes up a good deal of his time. Messrs. Handyside and Morgan have lately been reorganising our school library, a very old library, with volumes dating back 100 years — it is a big job, not finished yet, but I should like to express my interim thanks to them.

Mr. De Rome thanked the Staff for their conscientious work during the year and concluded with a brief reference to Mr. G. P. de Martin, the Director of Education, who appeared for the last time on the platform at Queen's College in his official capacity, and expressed deep appreciation to Sir Robert Ho Tung for his presence and for presenting the prizes.

Scholarships. Senior Morrison Scholarship, Gurpur Singh. Intermediate Morrison Scholarship, Mak Cheuk-hon. Class 2 Morrison Scholarship, Kwok Kam-lun. Class 3 Morrison Scholarship, Fong Chun-kwan. Junior Morrison Scholarship, Pun Ching-fong. Blake Scholarship, Yung Wai-lam. Wright Scholarship, Lee Kuei-chee. Ho Tung Scholarship, Lai Kee-leung. Ho Kom Tong Scholarship, Chan King-hong. Ho Fook Scholarship, Ng Kam-hing. Alfred May Scholarship, Leung Shu-hung. Senior Bellios Scholarship, Chan Tak-sang. Junior Bellios Scholarship, Li Hon-wah. Le Hy-san Scholarship, Yung Sui-ming. Grant Scholarship, Chan Ping-chiu. Kong Ki-fai Scholarship, Chow Shing-cho. Tsai Kung-po Scholarships (2), Mok Kai-wing, Mok Kwong-lu. Lugard Scholarship, Tso Shau-ling. Government Free Scholarships (5) for 3 years, Ng Shun-nung, Yeung Po-lin, Ngai Kong-chung, Koo Chi-sing, Chan Pak-chun. Government Free Scholarship (4) Lo Kan, Yue Shiu Kwan, Wong Yuk Xin, and So Yu Kwan. Woo Hay-tong Scholarships, Chau Wing-shum, Chan Wai-to, Chan King-sung, Fok Chao-han, Ng Ching-fung, Au Hung-cho, Li Kang-cheung, Wong Kam-chiu, Ho Wing Ting-in.

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## To-Day's Short Story.

### THE MAN IN THE EMPTY CHAIR

By Barnard Stacey.

It was hours after Alan Breck stepped off the boat at Loanda and presented himself at the headquarters of the South Atlantic Rubber Company, at Kalubo, that the doctor finally led him across the compound to his temporary home.

"You'll have a night-cap before you turn in?" prompted the old man as he turned up the reeking lamp.

"Thanks."

Alan flung himself into a chair, and watched the whisky trickle into the tumblers.

"Soda."

"Please." But the syphon was empty.

"Damn that boy of mine. Have to have water, I'm afraid. Shan't be a minute." And he went outside.

Alan casually picked up some snapshots from the table, and was turning them over when he came to one that shook his composure and set his thoughts racing backwards.

"I say; I know this chap," he urged excitedly as the doctor returned.

"I haven't seen him for years! Fancy running across him out here, Doc. How did you meet him?"

The doctor shot a glance at the snapshot.

"That's your predecessor — McCallum." Then he paused and looked straight at the young man. "You said you didn't know him when they asked you in the mess."

"McCallum?" echoed Breck incredulously. This is Bennett —

Crawley Bennett. We were in the Army together — signallers. I knew Bennett well; he was in my squad."

The doctor was sceptical. He took the photograph and held it under the lamp.

"That's McCallum, I tell you. He left only a few days ago. You'd have seen him yourself if a steam-packet hadn't put in at Loanda for repairs; he was mad to be off as soon as we heard you were coming."

Breck looked up at him dumb-founded.

"No — it's Bennett," he insisted. "I'll swear to it. He's got a bullet wound in the lobe of his left ear — at the back. Praps you didn't notice it, though."

The old man stopped his glass halfway to his lips, staring at his guest.

"I did," he answered quietly. "I always notice physical defects; it's my training. Bennett, though? His name was McCallum."

## TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's short story will be "The Unprincipled Joker," by Dorothy L. Sayers.

"Then he's changed it?"

"Why?"

The suddenness of the question took Breck by surprise. He looked sheepish and coloured to the roots of his fair hair.

"I — I don't know," he stammered.

But the doctor's eyes held him tenaciously.

"You do — I can see you do!"

Slowly the old man subsided into a chair, and fixed his visitor with a quizzing stare.

"What is it McCallum's afraid of?" he asked with slow insinuation. "It he waits, and watches for — as 'Terribly, horribly, afraid. What soon as it gets dark?"

The question seemed to frighten Breck. He took out a new silk handkerchief, and mopped his brow. "Then it WAS true," he murmured. "Poor Nobby!"

The doctor leaned back in his chair.

"Nobody liked McCallum out here," he said in a tone that invited confidence. "Nobody. There was no tangible reason; nothing you could take hold of. It was just a presentiment; something unsafe, something wrong, somewhere. I've watched him, when he's thought I've been asleep; in the midst of a conversation he'd suddenly jerk his head back and look over his shoulder, terrified. He seemed to expect to find somebody at his back — somebody watching him. The others noticed it, too, after a time. He said it was a touch of fever when they asked him. 'As it he could deceive me — me!' stormed the old man indignantly. 'The done thirty years in the tropics,' and he emptied his glass."

Breck was filling his pipe. You could see his mind working through his eyes.

"Well — I'll tell you what I know about Bennett," he said, almost blunty. "We won't quibble about his name, but it's hardly a bed-time story, and I doubt if you'll believe me. The story's in two parts. The first is like a prologue, you might say, and I must tell you — or you won't understand or appreciate the second. Only don't ask me to explain it, because I can't."

It begins in the war, in France — June 1916 — the time of the Somme push. I was in the signallers, as I told you; so was Bennett, he was a corporal in my squad, and we had a pretty rough time of it. Jerry paid us a good deal of marked attention. It seemed as if all the shells that were ever made were pouring into our sector. For some time no great amount of damage was done — but when a newly-dug front line (from which a counter-attack was to be made) went west, together with a communication trench, things became serious. The wires we'd laid through were blown to hell, and for the moment we were in a desperately tight corner.

In spite of the floundering bombardment, there was nothing for it but to run out fresh wires. Five of us were picked — Corporal Bennett, Nobby Clavie, Jasson, Fielding and myself. Nobby was the least concerned of us all. He was only a kid, hadn't been twenty then, but with the heart of a lion. I don't believe he knew what fear was."

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## Personal Pars.

Mr. Jean Bourgois and Mrs. Alice Bourgois arrived in the Colony from Shanghai to-day aboard the Dollar liner President Garfield.

Mr. C. A. Kengelbacher returned to the Colony from Manila this morning, arriving aboard the liner President Cleveland, which berthed at the Kowloon Wharf.

Mr. Harold P. Miller and Mr. Roland Grimm were among the passengers who disembarked from the liner President Garfield which arrived from America, via Japan and Shanghai, to-day.

Consul Julius Koerting and his wife were passengers on board the Dollar liner President Cleveland which arrived from Manila this morning, en route to America.

Dr. G. W. and Mrs. Caldwell arrived here this morning from Kobe, on the m. v. Yasukuni Maru.

Mr. A. Walker, a Shanghai merchant arrived in Colony this morning on the N. Y. K. liner, Yasukuni Maru.

Captain R. and Mrs. Longworth were among the passengers arriving in the Colony this morning on the m. v. Yasukuni Maru, from Shanghai.

SPURIOUS COINAGE CASE.

Accused Discharged At Sessions.

The case at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, in which Wong Hol, was charged before Mr. Justice Wood, with the unlawful possession of a coinage mould, allegedly used for the making of Hong Kong silver dollars at Sai Yeung Choi Street, Mongkok, concluded yesterday afternoon.

His Lordship directed there was no evidence against the prisoner, and relieved the Jury of their responsibility.

DOGS' HOME REPORT FOR DECEMBER.

Thirteen dogs were admitted to the Dog's Home during December, bringing the total up to 19. Of the 19, 17 were disposed of as follows:

Woo Hay-tong Scholarships, Chau Wing-shum, Chan Wai-to, Chan King-sung, Fok Chao-han, Ng Ching-fung, Au Hung-cho, Li Kang-cheung, Wong Kam-chiu, Ho Wing Ting-in.

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## CRICKET HAS REACHED A CRISIS?

### MENACE OF THE BODY THEORY

#### AUSTRALIAN ATTACK ON ENGLISH BOWLERS

##### "PLUM" WARNER IS CLEAN BOWLED.

Almost transcending in importance the battle for the Ashes a wave of condemnation of the English fast bowlers and their leg theory tactics, not only in the Test matches but also in the games against the States, is at present sweeping Australia.

The feeling in Australia is bitterly strong and is epitomised in the following article by W. M. Rutledge in the *Sydney Referee*, in which P. F. Warner is pilloried for his failure, as manager of the M.C.C. team, to take action against the English bowlers.

Who shall say that Australian players in the first Test are a team of cowards? the author asks. Yet, to hear the inanities spoken and the utter drivel written in many quarters one would think that some of them were a pack of arrant curs.

And it is all because they have not succeeded in smashing this pernicious body battering attack by England's fast bowlers—an attack utterly foreign to our batsmen because it is utterly foreign to true cricket.

Let it now be openly declared that Mr. Pelham F. Warner, manager of the England XI, and Mr. Douglas R. Jardine, the captain, have deliberately acquiesced in a campaign of attack that is at once ruinous to cricket, a direct and emphatic negation of the principles and traditions of cricket, and an alarming danger to batsmen called upon to face it.

Mr. Warner seems a double personality (declares Mr. Rutledge). What is abhorrent to him in English county cricket is, presumably, the very essence of true sportsmanship to him in Australia. Only four months ago at The Oval he watched the Surrey batsmen being Aunt-Sallied by Yorkshire's fast bowler, Bowes, who is with the present English XI in Australia. The crowd shrieked its disapproval. Hobbs, one of the batsmen, also protested. Mr. Warner himself protested. And in a recent issue of the *S. M. Herald* these words were attributed to him:—

"Bowes must alter his tactics. Bowes bowled with five men on the on-side and sent down several very short pitched balls which repeatedly bounced head high and more. Now that is not bowling; indeed it is not cricket; and if all the fast bowlers were to adopt his methods, M.C.C. would be compelled to step in and penalise the bowler who bowled the ball less than half-way up the pitch. Moreover, these things lead to reprisals—and when they begin goodness knows where they will end. I have no desire to preach or lay down the law in any way, but I do love cricket, and on Saturday Yorkshire fell from her pedestal and her great reputation was tarnished."

I sought out Mr. Warner at the Hotel Australia one evening and asked him how he squared those views with his present silent assent to the very same hideous methods.

**EVASIVE ISSUE.**  
"Then are we to assume that you approve of this plan of attack?" I asked him.

"I'm not allowed to give interviews," Mr. Warner replied. "No, the M.C.C. won't let me."

I then pointed out to him that he was on his defence, not as the M.C.C. manager, but as a plain citizen who had been reported to have uttered a very strong indictment against the fast bowling leg theory attack and the dangerous bumping ball.

Mr. Warner evaded it, saying, "No interviews—I'm not allowed. I like your paper—one of the best in the world—but I can't be interviewed."

"If a conference were arranged between you and Mr. Jardine on the one hand, and our Australian cricket authorities on the other, would you attend and discuss the question of eliminating this body theory?" was the next question.

Mr. Warner repeated his refusal to be interviewed, and then said, "Please don't say you have even seen me. I'd rather you didn't say you had put any questions to me."

I could not agree to that, and I told Mr. Warner that I had to give him the opportunity of denying or confirming his reported remarks. As he said he had begun misreporting and would say no more, I could,

therefore, only take that as the final word.

So I looked up the *Morning Post* of August 22 last, and on page 14 I found a 2-column heading: "Bowling Fast and Short at The Oval—Incidents in Surrey and Yorkshire Match." Immediately under the heading was, "By P. F. Warner," indicating that he himself had written the article.

Now, how could he have been misreported? Here is every word of his own remarks that have any bearing upon the subject of bowling at the man, as he wrote in the *Morning Post*.

"While giving Yorkshire all credit for their out-cricked, Bowes must alter his tactics. Bowes bowled with five men on the on-side and sent down several very short-pitched balls which repeatedly bounced head high and more. Now that is not bowling; indeed it is not cricket, and if all the fast bowlers were to adopt his methods, M.C.C. would be compelled to step in and penalise the bowler who bowled the ball at less than half-way up the pitch."

"Now, Bowes is a fine, natural bowler. He must stand 6ft. 5in., and therefore brings the ball down from a great height, but he would be a far better bowler if he concentrated on length and cut out the short stuff. He is not doing justice to himself, to his ability, or to the game of cricket by his present methods. I have always taken an interest in Bowes's cricket since the day some four or five years ago when the secretary of the M.C.C. asked me to bat to him in a net at Lord's. Whoever is responsible for his present style of bowling, I know not—but Yorkshiremen are great cricketers and good sportsmen, and I appeal to Bowes and to others, if any, who may have influenced him to his present style, to get him back to orthodoxy."

"It could not have been a very pleasant day's cricket. First, we saw, obvious protests in the field from Hobbs, then the crowd shouted for Bowes to be taken off, and later Macaulay sent down two fast full-pitchers to the Surrey captain. Very coolly Mr. Jardine ducked, and the first 'header' went for four byes, the second being taken by the wicket-keeper."

**WHERE WILL IT END?**

"Now, I am a great admirer of Yorkshire cricket. I love their keenness and the zest with which they play, but they will find themselves a very unpopular side—if there is a repetition of Saturday's methods. Moreover, these things lead to reprisals—and when they begin, goodness knows where they will end."

"All this may sound like a sermon. I have no desire to preach or to attempt to lay down the law in any way, but I do love cricket, and on Saturday Yorkshire fell from her high pedestal and her reputation was tarnished. Once again I appeal to all who control Yorkshire cricket, to the president of the club, to the committee, to the captain, and to men like Sutcliffe to see that things are altered. I have written, I hope, honestly and fairly, and I am certain I echo the opinion of all who care for cricket and who wish to see its high traditions and prestige maintained."

Noble sentiment! And yet the same Mr. Warner, their author, stands idly by in Australia and is prepared to see Australian batsmen battered from head to foot without taking the action he could take, as the M.C.C. representative, to stop it.

I throw Mr. Warner's words back at him. I too, have "no desire to preach or to lay down the law in any way," but I too, "do love cricket," and England has "fallen from her high pedestal!"

### H. K. LADIES' HOCKEY ELEVENS

The following will represent the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club in a Caer Clark Cup match against the Club de Recreo Ladies, at Sookunpoo, to-morrow at 3.15 p.m.

M. Bird, E. M. Gray, J. Smalley; J. Dalziel, D. Robertson, C. Ferguson; H. Knill, M. Alun-Jones, P. M. Harrop, J. Churchill, and R. King.

In their match against the St. Andrew's Club Ladies at Happy Valley at 3 p.m. to-morrow, the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club second eleven will be represented by the following:—

I. Butler, M. King, A. Nicol, E. O'Hagan, A. Owen Hughes, B. Franklin, E. Bell, J. Whyte, E. Bonnar, A. G. Orme, and E. S. Luing.

#### RECREO LADIES.

The following will represent the Club de Recreo Ladies' team:—A. Almada, C. Osmund, M. Basto; K. Hyndman, M. Alves, E. Xavier; B. Remedios, C. Silva, O. Ribeiro, E. Rosario, and M. Remedios.

#### "Y" LADIES LOSE 4-3.

At Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon, the Royal Artillery Unit from Lyceum defeated the "Y" Ladies by 4 goals to 3 in a friendly fixture. The "Y" ladies were represented by the following:—L. Carr; M. Portallion, A. Fowler; M. Gardiner, M. Mason, P. McCaw; O. Brown, R. Blackmore, Miss Torbett, M. Griffiths, M. Tillery.

#### "Y" LADIES' LEAGUE TEAM.

The following will represent the "Y" Ladies in their Caer Clark Cup hockey match against the C.B.A. Ladies at King's Park at 3 p.m. to-morrow:—L. Carr; M. Portallion, A. Fowler; M. Gardiner, M. Mason, P. McCaw; O. Dalziel, R. Blackmore, S. Dalziel, M. Tillery, O. Brown.

M. Griffiths scored all the "Y" goals.

#### HONG KONG LADIES WIN.

At King's Park yesterday afternoon, in a friendly match, the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club defeated the C.B.A. Ladies by 6 goals to all. The match was good, and the C.B.A. ladies displayed much improved form.

#### BORDERERS DEFEATED.

Twelve goals were scored in a friendly match played between H.M.S. Medway Officers and the South Wales Borderers, at King's Park yesterday afternoon. The Medway emerged winners by 7 goals to 5 in a match that was full of exciting exchanges.



#### ARMY RUGBY XV AGAINST NAVY.

##### Triangular Tourney's Conclusion.

The following will represent the Army against the Navy in the last Triangular Tournament Rugby match of the series at Sookunpoo at 4 p.m. to-morrow:—

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Paynter (England)	2	78	77	1	78.00
Sutcliffe (England)	6	296	194	1	59.20
D. G. Bradman (Australia)	14	177	108	1	59.00
S. J. McCabe (Australia)	6	256	187	0	52.20
Hammond (England)	6	230	112	0	46.00
Nawab of Patand (England)	3	122	102	0	40.66
R. E. S. Wyatt (England)	6	203	78	1	40.60
Leyland (England)	5	166	85	0	33.20
W. H. Ponsford (Australia)	4	122	85	0	30.50
Verity (England)	3	87	45	0	29.00
W. M. Woodfull (Australia)	6	138	73	1	27.60
V. V. Richardson (Australia)	6	164	49	0	27.33
J. H. Fingleton (Australia)	6	151	83	0	25.16
L. E. Nagel (Australia)	2	21	21	1	21.00
G. O. Allen (England)	5	102	30	0	20.40
D. R. Jardine (England)	5	87	56	0	17.40
J. W. A. Oldfield (Australia)	5	65	41	1	16.25
James (England)	5	78	69	0	15.60
A. F. Kippax (Australia)	2	27	19	0	13.50
L. F. O'Brien (Australia)	2	21	19	0	10.50
C. V. Grimmett (Australia)	6	42	19	0	7.00
Larwood (England)	5	24	9	1	6.00
T. Wall (Australia)	6	34	20	0	5.66
Voce (England)	5	22	8	1	5.59
W. J. O'Reilly (Australia)	6	31	15	1	5.16
H. Ironmonger (Australia)	4	4	4	1	1.33
Bowes (England)	2	4	4	2	

\* denotes not out. † denotes wicket-keeper.

#### BOWLING AVERAGES

Bowler	O.	M.	R.	W.	Ave.
Larwood (England)	128.3	21	352	21	16.76
W. J. O'Reilly (Australia)	226	94	407	19	21.42
Hammond (England)	66.5	15	158	7	22.57
D. G. Bradman (Australia)	4	0	23	1	23.00
T. Wall (Australia)	130.1	26	326	14	23.28
H. Ironmonger (Australia)	110.1	39	191	8	23.87
G. O. Allen (England)	95.2	19	254	11	24.00
Voce (England)	96.3	20	293	12	24.41
L. E. Nagel (Australia)	43.4	9	110	2	55.00
C. V. Grimmett (Australia)	147	42	326	5	65.20
Bowes (England)	23	2	70	1	70.00
Verity (England)	53	24	107	1	107.00
S. J. McCabe (Australia)	45.1	5	113	1	113.00
A. F. Kippax (Australia)	2	1	3	0	

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1st wicket: 112—Sutcliffe and R. E. S. Wyatt at Sydney.  
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3rd wicket: 123—Sutcliffe and Nawab of Patand at Sydney.  
4th wicket: 64—J. H. Fingleton and S. J. McCabe at Melbourne.  
5th wicket: 156—Leyland and R. E. S. Wyatt at Adelaide.  
6th wicket: 63—W. H. Ponsford and W. A. Oldfield at Adelaide.  
7th wicket: 58—Ames and Verity at Adelaide.  
8th wicket: 58—Paynter and Verity at Adelaide.  
9th wicket: 38—L. E. Nagel and T. Wall at Sydney.  
10th wicket: 58—S. J. McCabe and T. Wall at Sydney.

### SHANGHAI BOY HON. SEC. OXFORD RUGBY

#### Bowers First English Captain Since 1926.

Oxford have selected J. B. Bowers (Cheltenham and Trinity) as Rugby captain, and K. L. T. Jackson (Rugby and Trinity) as Secretary for 1933. Their duties will begin with the Lent term.

Thus Oxford will have an English-born captain for the first time since G. E. B. Abell held the office in 1926. In the meantime, Oxford have been captained by two Scots, two South Africans, an Australian, and a Welshman. The new appointment naturally is a pleasant one, but it should be emphasized that Oxford have been extremely fortunate recently in the possession

### SHANGHAI BOY SELECTED FOR SCOTLAND.

#### RUGBY INTERNATIONAL.

London, Jan. 14.

The Oxford freshman, K. L. T. Jackson, who won his blue in Rugby football as a scrum half last December, has now received an even higher honour. He has been chosen to play for Scotland against Wales in the match at Swansea on February 4.

Jackson is an old Shanghai boy, being the son of a well-known doctor in that port.

of captains who did their job well, and achieved well-deserved popularity. The change, it may be noted, is likely to be only temporary. Jackson, the captain-elect, is a Scot hailing from Shanghai.









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## THE MAN IN THE EMPTY CHAIR

(Continued from page 7.)

Well, we got over the top and started, but we hadn't been wiring many seconds before a Very light went up and we were caught in the glare. We stood as still as death, but a machine-gun, traversing, sent us diving for a shell-hole. Too late. Three of us were laid out—fortunately only "blighties"—I was the luckiest of the three—and Nobby and Bennett missed it altogether. They carried on. The three of us managed to crawl back alright, and spent the next few hours in the "first aid," waiting to be sent down to the clearing station.

It was there that we heard Nobby had gone west. They'd stuck it out, finished the job, and we were in communication again. It was a wonderfully plucky bit of work, for they must have had a hellish time, but as they were dropping back into the line again Nobby stopped the best part of a Minnie—a trench mortar, you know. Bennett was luckier; just caught a little piece—that accounts for his left ear.

He joined us at the base, and it was while we were all comfortably in hospital in Blight that we four planned to meet and have a dinner together on the first thirteenth of June after Armistice. Fielding volunteered to undertake all the arrangements, being a Londoner, and he took our names and addresses.

But when we were fit again, they split us up. I went out East, and Janson and Fielding I lost sight of. Bennett I believe, never went out again; got promotion and became an instructor at one of the training-camps.

Some time after, a decoration came along. Bennett got the D.C.M., and the job that had been done well deserved it.

Now for the sequel. I'd forgotten the whole business until Fielding wrote some time in April, 1919, and reminded me. He wrote early to give plenty of warning, he explained, and he was arranging a private room and a dinner at an hotel in Fleet-street for the thirteenth of June. I made a note of it in my diary, sent him a line to say I should be there and hoped he'd been able to rake in all the others.

It's a rambling sort of place, the hotel he had chosen. I had some difficulty in finding it. I was a bit late, and the other three were getting anxious. It's extraordinary what a difference khaki makes to a man; still, I think I should have recognised Janson and Fielding—Bennett I should have passed by. He looked much older than his age, with an anxious, furtive look about his eyes. But he seemed to be doing pretty well; his clothes were obviously new, and he insisted on standing a bottle before we sat down—"for Nobby's sake."

It was the first time his name had been mentioned, and I think it gave us all a bit of a turn. We were standing in a windowed recess, and at Fielding's suggestion we moved into the centre of the room and took our places round the table.

Then we discovered something that made us catch our breath. The table was laid for five!

Fielding went to the door to call the waiter just as he came in with the champagne.

"You've laid for five," he grumbled, and there was a touch of annoyance in his voice. "I ordered dinner for four."

"Five was the order, I think, sir."

"No—four. I distinctly ordered dinner for four—I came in myself and arranged about it weeks ago."

"Beg pardon, sir, but I'll just see the manager." And downstairs again he pattered.

We stood looking at each other till the manager arrived—only and full of apologies. It was a mistake. He had so many dinners, he was puzzled to know where to put all his customers, etc., but the fifth cover should be cleared away at once. He began collecting the superfluous cutlery when Janson stopped him.

"Let's leave the extra place," he suggested with impulsive enthusiasm. "It's rather a nice thought—don't you think, Fielding?—a little remembrance—to Nobby?"

The idea spread like gun-cotton—touched our sentiment. So we left the place, and Janson rearranged the knives and forks. Then we pushed the chair up to the table so that it made a vacant space between Bennett and myself.

"Now what about this fizz?" asked Bennett, suddenly recovering himself.

We filled our glasses and stood up. It was a round table.

"To Nobby," said Fielding, in a strong voice, as we held our glasses toward the vacant chair before we drained them.

Then we sat down, and as the dinner proceeded gradually regained our good spirits.

The table was decorated with blue and white, and lit with tiny lamps of remembrance pattern—one at each place. Fielding put a match to them just before we sat down. But the one at Nobby's place wasn't lighted. Remember that.

I don't suppose you've ever seen a signalman's shutter. It's an oblong arrangement, made on the Venetian blind principle. The lattices are usually black and reveal a white background when operated by means of a string. We used them a good deal at the beginning of the war for instruction. Well, the menu was written on miniature shutters (another idea of Fielding's). There was one to each place. I've still got mine, with all our names signed on the back.

The dinner went along smoothly enough, and by the time the table was cleared and coffee and cigars were on the go we four were back again in the old squad—and intervening years had slipped away.

Every little trivial incident of our khaki days was dug up and reviewed with that slight exaggeration we always give to the past.

Presently there was lull in the gaiety—just a momentary gap—and, looking round, I caught Janson's eyes fixed on the empty chair.

He looked up as he felt my gaze, and tried to pull himself together.

"How he would have enjoyed this," he said, quietly.

"Nobby? Rather! I wish he were here." It was Fielding who spoke, and his face grew resting on the table.

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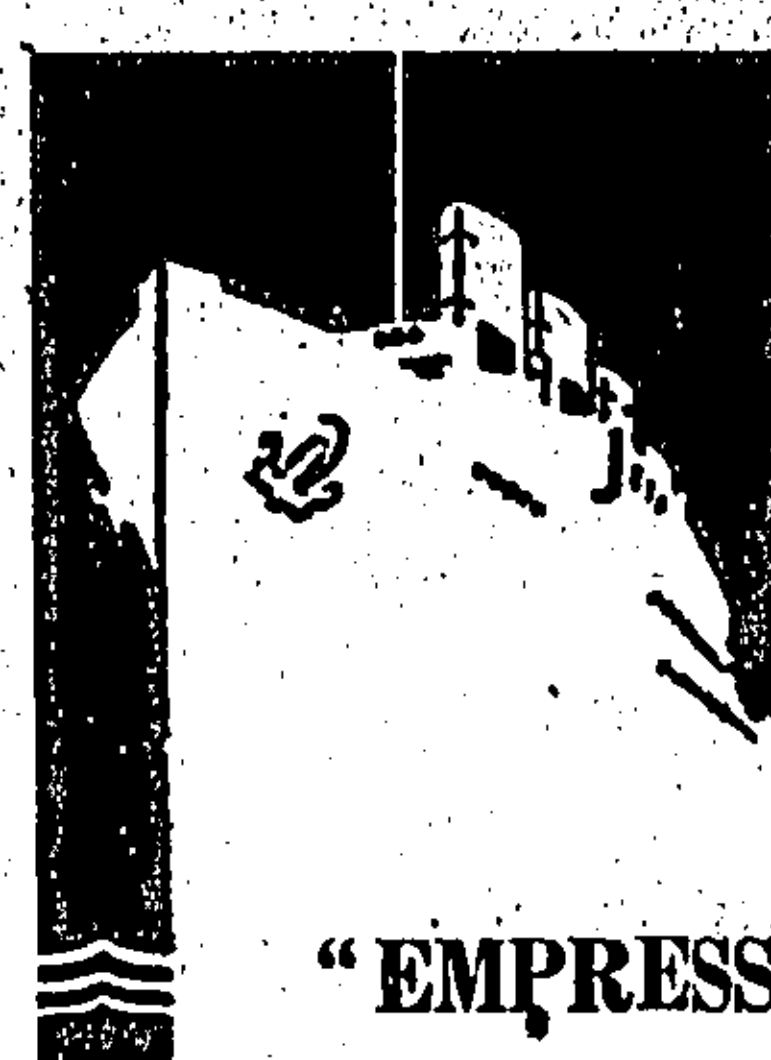
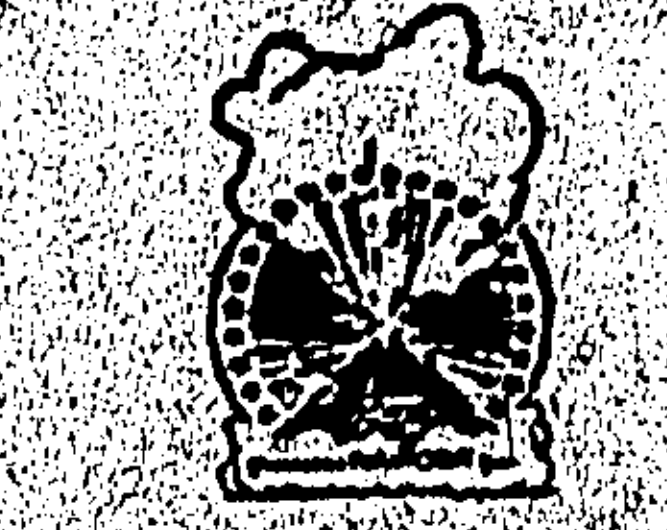


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## THE MAN IN THE EMPTY CHAIR

(Continued from Page 10.)

"Bennett," he called quietly.  
"That night when we left you and  
Nobby—afterwards—when you'd  
connected up and were crawling  
back again—was Nobby killed at  
once?—straight out?"  
Bennett suddenly jerked his head  
round with a look of pained un-  
nervousness.

"What d'you mean?" he asked,  
roughly.

"Nothing—don't look so startled  
—I mean—what actually happened  
after we'd gone. We've never  
really heard—I mean first-hand,"  
added Fielding. "It was too close  
to the event to talk much about it  
when we were all at the base. Too  
painful. But now, let's hear it."  
For a moment Bennett looked un-  
easy as he searched our eager faces.

"How I won the D.C.M." rallied  
Janson. "You ought to have worn  
your ribbon to-night. We all  
should."

"Oh, chuck it!" said Fielding,  
trying to put a curb on his banter,  
while Bennett sidged in his waist-  
coat pocket.

"I—I—did get a miniature of it,"  
he stammered in a half-apologetic  
tone, and to our secret amazement  
he drew it out.

There was an outburst of cheer-  
ing and chaff.  
We made him wear it after that,  
though we certainly felt surprised  
at the obvious pleasure it gave him.

"Fill up his glass somebody,"  
Come on, Bennett—let yourself go."  
Janson wouldn't leave him alone,  
and Bennett drank a bumper off  
and smiled complacently.

"Well, there's really nothing to  
tell," he said in an unctuous tone.  
"I mean—I've never mentioned  
it before."

"Nonsense," said Janson boister-  
ously. "You jolly well deserved it  
—here's to you."

It never struck me before that  
Bennett was susceptible to flattery,  
but he seemed to fill out—preen  
himself as it were—in our admira-  
tion. He leaned back in his chair.

"Well, we went over the top, as  
you know, he began in a thick,  
warm tone. "It was a ticklish bit  
of work, and it needed the best of  
men for it. They had to have  
somebody they could rely on. You  
three blighters got pipped after that  
Verrey light went up, and—left  
Nobby and me to face it out. Of  
course, as corporal in charge—it  
was up to me. I realised that the  
whole line depended on it."

"I'm not the sort of man, you  
know, to take responsibility lightly.  
Never was. No, by gad! You  
know that, Fielding, don't you?  
You all do. I mean if it was a  
fatigue or anything, you never  
found me slacking. But I wasn't  
a bully, was I? Not to any of you.  
I was too considerate at times. I'd  
have got my third stripe if I'd been  
more—more—well, anyway, you  
know what I was like as a cor-  
poral." And he threw out his  
chest.

"Well, I crawled along to where  
Nobby was. You could have put a  
platoon in his shell-hole. Lucky  
for him, you say? I should think  
it was. I called softly to him, but  
he didn't answer, and when I got  
alongside of him I found him shak-  
ing like a jelly. And blubbing."

A faint, almost imperceptible  
sigh seemed to come somewhere  
from my left, and I turned sharply  
to Bennett, but he appeared not to  
have noticed it, and went on.

"It was a different Nobby from  
the man in the line. You fellows  
thought nothing could put the wind  
up Nobby, I know, but you ought to  
have seen him that night. Of  
course, he hadn't been out before.  
I stayed with him for some  
minutes—longer than I should  
have done, perhaps, trying to  
make him pull himself to-  
gether, but it was no good.  
He wouldn't move out of that hole,  
so I left him and finished the job  
myself. The job had to be done—  
though how I stuck it God alone  
knows. When I'd finished I crawl-  
ed back to him and dragged him  
out of his funk hole, by the legs.  
He wouldn't move of his own accord,  
and it was when we were getting  
back into the line that the Minnie  
caught him. I'd told him not to  
stand up, but he was too funky to—"

"What was that?"  
Bennett's words died in his  
throat as Fielding suddenly sat bolt  
upright—scared—and listening.

The atmosphere was electric and  
stiffing with suppressed emotion.  
A terrible, uncanny fear seemed to  
seize each one of us as we sat with  
bulging eyes, and ears strained to a  
painful tension.

Something rustled—stirred—the  
air—just above our heads it seemed

## CRICKET HAS REACHED A CRISIS?

(Continued from Page 8.)

Away back in 1911-12, there  
was an outcry against F. R.  
Foster's fast leg theory. From  
then till now cricket in Aus-  
tralia had never been harassed  
by similar methods of attack.  
Is it merely a coincidence that  
Mr. Warner was captain of  
that 1905 team, and is man-  
ager of the present one?

Once and for all, this iniquitous  
body-battering, short-pitched leg  
theory attack must be scotched.  
It is not in the interests of cricket,  
and it is a violation of the fine  
sporting spirit that has charac-  
terised the great game right back  
through the ages.

The Referee, voicing the views of  
many ex-internationals and all the  
present players, now appeals to  
those in control of the destinies of  
cricket to come out into the open  
and say "This crazy thing shall  
stop!" This paper appeals to the  
controllers of the game on the  
ground that cricket will be ruined  
and finally will die unless, perceiv-  
ing their duty to the game, they  
marshal the courage to act—and  
act now.

### EXAMPLE SET.

The other day I was passing  
through Moore Park on my way  
to see the last stages of the  
first Test, and I noticed two or  
three junior cricket matches in pro-  
gress. Suddenly I stopped, horri-  
fied to see a tallish lad of some-  
where between 13 and 15, hurling "leg  
theory" at a midget of, say, ten  
years, with six fieldsmen clustered  
round the leg side. Curious, I as-  
ked the young bowler where he got  
his ideas of field placing, and to my  
astonishment he replied: "Voce  
and Larwood scare 'em out that  
way."

I moved on, musing as I went, that  
before that lad grew to the age of  
Voce and Larwood he would kill  
somebody—or perhaps, by that  
time cricket would have lost its  
grip as a national game.

If this menace is not eliminated  
very soon, cricket will become  
an exceedingly dangerous business  
—not a game. In that case,  
parents will forbid their chil-  
dren to play it—and it will  
die a natural death. Can our con-  
trollers of the game not see be-  
yond the immediate job of try-  
ing to win the Ashes? Can they not  
see the incalculable harm, the  
ruinous effect of this excrecence  
on the grand old game? Are they  
too indifferent to the noble tradi-  
tions of cricket to stand up now  
and demand that the remaining  
matches shall be played in a true  
sporting spirit, free from the  
bitterness that is fast being  
created?

You cannot expect cricketers,  
with responsibilities outside the  
game, to stand up all day at a wig-  
ket, as a willing target for this  
venomous attack. It is all very  
well for the grandstanders to scoff  
and say, "You've got pads and a  
bat—why don't you hit the ball?"  
To those men, I say, "You've never  
played cricket—and what's more,  
you wouldn't be game to take the  
pelting that those chaps have taken  
from Voce and Larwood on their  
blind-side with a close-stacked  
short leg and a long leg field."

Cricket from the pavilion is a  
vastly different thing from cricket  
on the wicket.

Every Australian cricketer I  
have spoken to in the past week  
has condemned in emphatic terms  
the tactics adopted by Voce and  
Larwood.

THE END.

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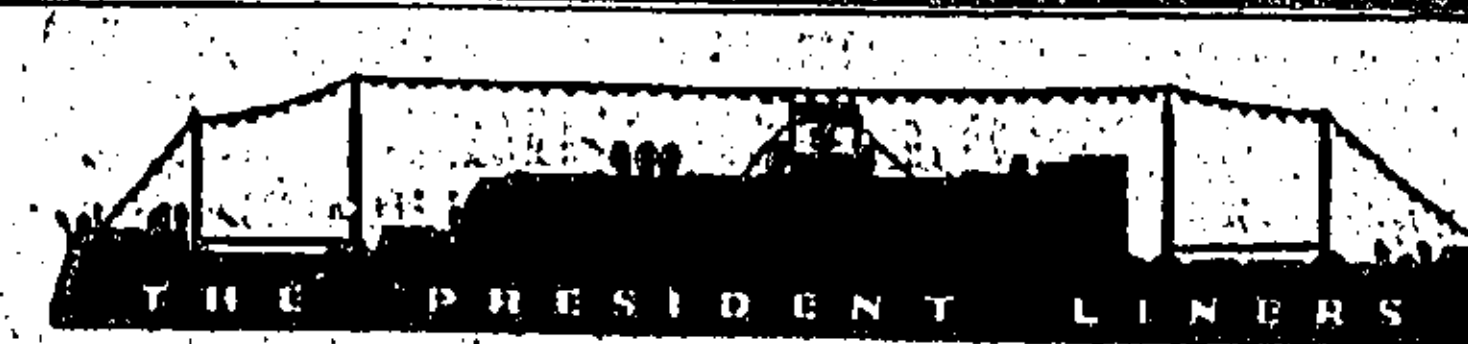
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Larwood of hurling at the batsmen  
half-pitched high-kicking balls.

### MISSTATEMENT OF FACT.

Happily there was less intimidat-  
ion in the first Test than in the  
match between N.S.W. and Eng-  
land, because the wicket didn't  
give the fast bowlers so much as-  
sistance to make the ball fly. The  
resentment shown by the players,  
however, is based upon their ex-  
periences in Adelaide and Mel-  
bourne, as well as in Sydney.

Naturally enough, our fellows  
are loth to condemn their oppo-  
nents. They felt that they might be  
accused of squealing, and that sim-  
ply isn't done by Australians. But  
that they have a very decided ob-  
jection to these tactics, resuscita-  
ted from a distant past, there is not  
the shadow of a doubt.

I have heard it said—and the  
Sydney Morning Herald declared  
it too—that Gregory and McDonald  
adopted the same tactics as Voce  
and Larwood. That is a palpable  
misstatement of fact. It is a grie-  
vous wrong to two players whose  
sportsmanship never could be ques-  
tioned. Gregory and McDonald  
never at any time bowled deliber-  
ately at the body, nor did they ever  
cluster a leg field of five players  
ready to take the catch from a  
batsman intimidated to the point of  
desperation by having to dodge the  
barrage of flying balls over after  
over.

Thus, Gregory and McDonald like  
every other bowler, have given  
batsmen a nasty crack, but knocks  
have always been accidental. Never  
has a body attack been premeditated,  
never anything but orthodox  
off-field. Voce and Larwood, on  
the other hand, deliberately play  
an attack which causes an unpre-  
cedented number of injuries, and  
that it is a definite plan is proved  
by the placing of their field.

Voce's usual field in Sydney has  
consisted of seven men on the leg  
side of the wicket, five of them in  
a crescent a few yards away from  
the batsman. The bowler and  
keeper make nine, leaving only two  
fieldsmen on the off. Now can  
anyone say that Voce is not bowl-  
ing at the body? If he were bowl-  
ing on the wicket, it would be easy

enough to straight drive his de-  
liveries. That he has clean bowled  
a batsman doesn't prove his attack  
is directed at the wicket. It only  
proves that that particular ball  
was bowled on the wicket.

A point that Mr. Warner stressed  
was this: "These things lead to  
reprisals, and when they begin,  
goodness knows where they will  
end." Now, if Australia retaliated  
with a body-battering attack, it  
would still not be cricket. It still  
would be ruinous to the game and  
might eventually kill it. I do hope  
that nothing of the kind will ever  
be attempted. It is pretty hard on  
our batsmen to have to stand and  
be shot at without having a shot in  
return. Still, I think they are  
deeply enough steeped in the tra-  
ditions of cricket to discounten-  
ance reprisals. But what are the  
authorities doing to protect them?  
Supposing one of their number is  
killed—what then? The damage  
could never be repaired.

### TIME FOR ACTION

Now is the time for the  
authorities to act, before a  
serious injury, or perhaps a  
fatality, occurs, before friend-  
ly rivalry turns to hatred; be-  
fore cricket degenerates into a  
brawl between bat and ball.  
Test cricket sets the standard  
for all other cricket, and if our  
juniors model their bowling  
methods upon the body theory  
of Voce and Larwood, the game  
will lose its superlative charm,  
its magnificent atmosphere,  
and its irresistible appeal to  
sport-lovers throughout the  
world.

Cricket has reached a crisis in  
its history. It is going to live—or  
wane. And its life is in the hands  
of Tedham F. Warner and Douglas  
R. Jardine, on the one hand, and  
the Australian cricket authorities  
on the other. An urgent consulta-  
tion is necessary, for it is a grave  
case. If they fail us, the ruin of  
cricket will be upon their heads.  
It is almost unbelievable that they  
have not acted long before now. The  
winning of the Ashes is neither  
here nor there. It is a question of  
saving Cricket.



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### EXPEDITION TO MT. EVEREST.

(Continued from page 1).

The attack on the mountain is  
timed to take place before the  
middle of June when the monsoon  
may probably break. — British  
Wireless Service.

#### Air Expedition.

Another British expedition will  
be leaving early next month, led by  
Air Commander Follows, with  
Squadron Leader Lord Clydesdale as  
chief pilot. They hope to fly over  
Mount Everest in March, the flight  
to be undertaken by two machines.  
The cost of the expedition is be-  
ing largely borne by Lady Hous-  
ton.

The personnel of the expedition  
includes Mr. R. A. Brocklebank, the  
well-known Cambridge rowing blue  
and Mr. L. R. Wager, who was a  
member of the British Arctic Air  
Route Expedition of 1930-31. Mr.  
F. S. Smyth, who led the expedition  
which successfully scaled Mount  
Kamet, the highest peak so far  
scaled by man, is also a member.

Mr. Hugh Rutledge, the leader,  
was formerly in the Indian Civil  
Service.

The expedition has been jointly  
formed by the Royal Geographical  
Society and the Alpine Club.

You cannot rationalise your cus-  
tomer.—Mr. Selfridge.

### Colony's Trade

(Continued from Page 1.)

Owing to depreciated Canton  
silver currency, and despite an em-  
bargo placed on the export of silver  
subsidiary coin from that port,  
speculators apparently were active-  
ly engaged in shipping Canton 20  
cents pieces to Shanghai, where the  
silver content was extracted and re-  
alized a not inconsiderable profit.

#### December Figures.

Total imports of merchandise into  
the Colony in the month of Decem-  
ber, 1932 amounted to \$48.9 mil-  
lions (£3.1 millions) as compared  
with \$53.5 millions (£4.5 millions)  
in December, 1931, while exports  
totalled \$38.2 millions (£2.4 mil-  
lions) as compared with \$44.1 mil-  
lions (£3.1 millions).

At yesterday's meeting of The  
Institution of Engineers and Ship-  
builders of Hong Kong an interest-  
ing paper on "Engineering Metal-  
lurgy" was read by Mr. S. Simp-  
son, of Talkoo.

### WORLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

(Continued from Page 1.)

#### Earlier Recommendations.

Britain is ready to co-operate  
towards an international gold stan-  
dard, declared Sir Frederick Leith  
Ross, at a meeting on January 10,  
of experts who are preparing the  
agenda for the world economic con-  
ference.

"Exchange controls must be  
abolished and inflation of currency  
or prices must be prevented," he  
said. Tariffs must be lowered and  
War Debts and Reparations must  
be cleared away before the World  
Economic Conference can usefully  
meet.

"Governments must also consider  
the desirability of giving the  
Central Banks wider powers, he con-  
cluded.—Reuter.

#### \$700 DISAPPEARS.

In a report to the Police yester-  
day, Chung Kan, a fruit stall feld  
on board the s.s. Fook On, stated he  
entrusted a saloon boy, at Wuchow,  
with \$700 to take to Hong Kong.

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the saloon boy told him he had  
gambled with the money. He is  
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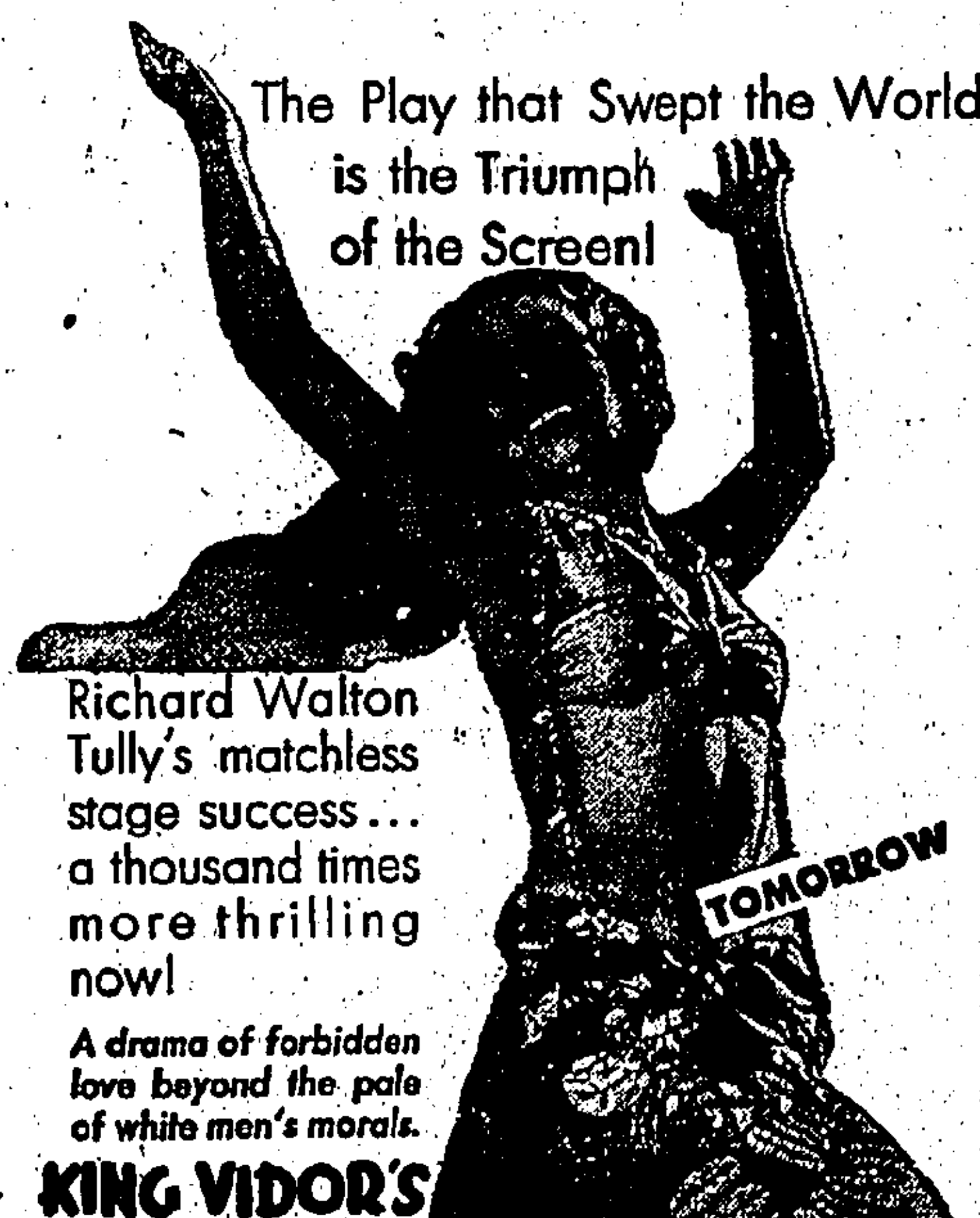
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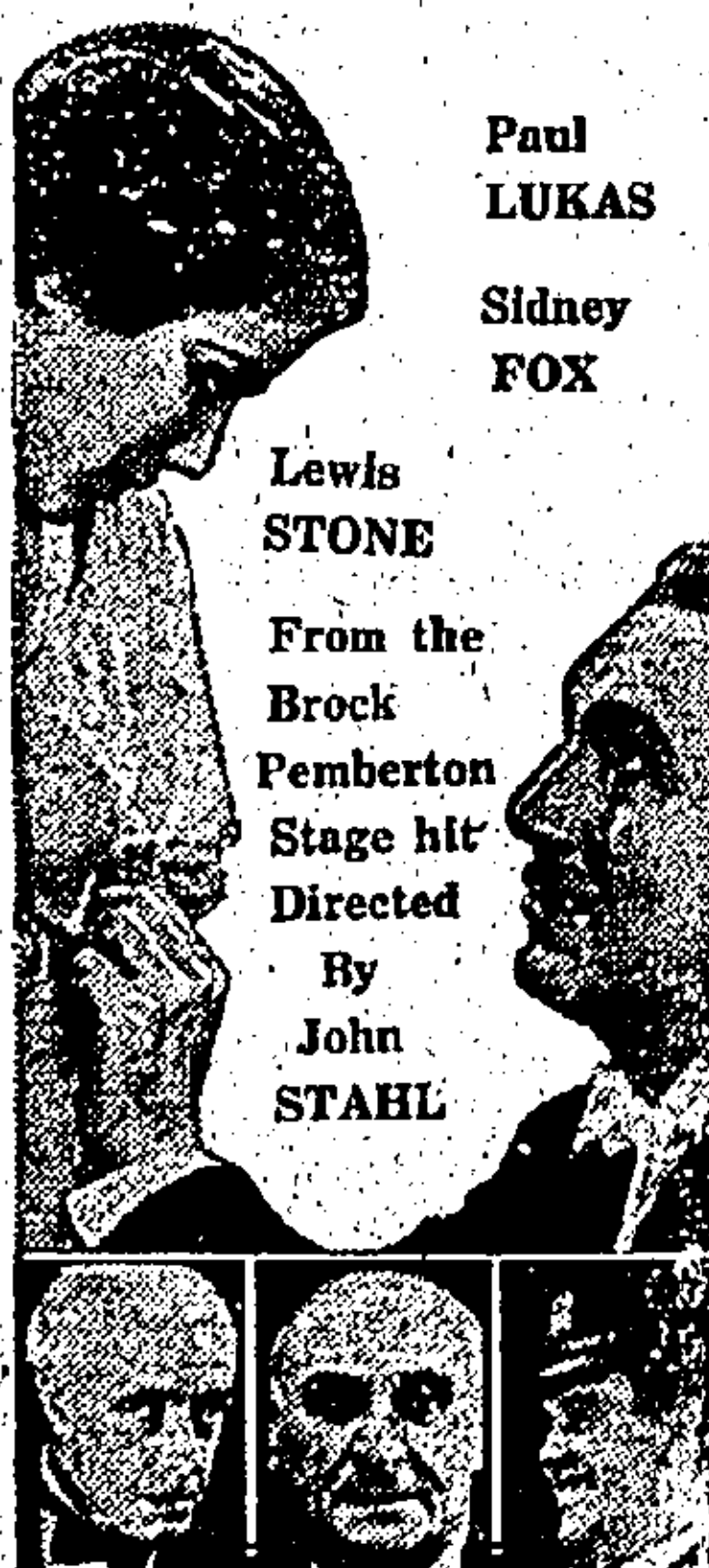
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